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## CANTON'S VICTORY.

### NEARING ALLIED HEADQUARTERS.

#### Following Up Surprise Move.

#### BLOW STRUCK AT HEART OF NORTHERNERS' TERRITORY.

Following up their surprise advantage, the southerners are now striking at the very heart of Sun Chuan-fang's territory. Hostilities on three of the four sectors in the Kiangsi front are of little consequence at the moment.

Both sides are concentrating on one part of the front in a desperate struggle and the Cantonese are winning again.

[By Our Special Correspondent.]

General Li Chung-chen (of Kwangsi), who commands the 7th Nationalist Army, is the Cantonese hero of the hour.

Before embarking on the northern expedition, this 7th Army had little experience of warfare. Whether it is due to the inspiration of victory, or to Russian strategy, these hitherto untrained troops have brought off the coup of the present war.

Along the Yangtze, the allies had one column marching on Wuchang until held up at Hwangchow. An armistice has been declared on this sector, it is reported.

#### Squeezed in Between.

The centre column was making overland for Changsha and Yochow to cut the Cantonese line of communication. This is now in hilly country near Shaohui.

The southern column, after retaking Nanchang from the Nationalists, had marched out to Kao-an and fought two battles.

In between the northern, and centre sectors, General Li Chung-chen stole up to an advanced position, met difficulty in extricating himself, and then surprised Te-an. Northerners Withdrawn.

He has only about 5,000 troops with him. Unless there is an allied debacle, there is no immediate prospect of other southern detachments joining hands with him.

Nevertheless, General Li has deflected northwards, leaving Nanchang to colleagues further south, and is making for Kiukiang where he hopes to catch Sun Chuan-fang's headquarters unawares.

Several engagements have been fought by this mobile division of the 7th army and the northern allies are falling back.

To stem the advance of General Li, Sun Chuan-fang is bringing back his men posted along the Yangtze.

#### On Way to Success.

Should Kiukiang fall, the Cantonese will then have accomplished the first big step towards subduing the "allied 5 provinces."

Sun Chuan-fang still has the territorial advantage. His centre and southern columns can both wheel round and attack Gen. Li from the rear. But as they are also facing an enemy on their front they show no immediate desire to take this step.

The allies seem to be relying on the troops being withdrawn from advanced positions along the Yangtze who is expected will return down river, land, and make a stand at or near Kiukiang.

#### Throwing in Reserves.

That the situation is dangerous is evident from Sun Chuan-fang's throwing in several brigades of fresh reserves.

Several thousand strong, these are going to the railway and taking up posts along which Gen. Li is making for.

Unless a general armistice supervenes, it will be fight to a finish along the Kiukiang-Nanchang Railway with the odds at present slightly in favour of the more enterprising southerners.

Sun Chuan-fang's claim to the capture of Wuchang-hsien is not borne out.

#### Official Despatch.

The following is published by courtesy of the Naval authorities in Hong Kong:

Fighting is reported in the immediate vicinity of Kiukiang, to defend which Marshal Sun Chuan-fang has recalled 7,000 troops from Wusueh.

H.M.S. "Gnat" has proceeded to Kiukiang.

(Note: Kiukiang is in the north of Kiangsi, the northern terminal of the Kin-kiang-Nanchang Railway. To-an is in the middle of the line. Sun Chuan-fang's base is at Kiukiang, whence his men have gone (west-

wards) up the Yangtze towards Wuchang, but are now withdrawing to defend the home camp).

#### At Wuchang.

Hankow, Oct. 6.

The siege of Wuchang continues unabated.

Yesterday and to-day more non-combatants were allowed to leave the city, including several foreigners, while it is understood that similar facilities are being extended for the next several days.—Reuter.

#### March to Nanchang.

Hankow, Oct. 5.

It is reported that the southerners have commenced a fresh and more powerful drive to Nanchang, under the personal direction of General Chang Kai-shek.

Despite assurances to the contrary, steamers are again being subjected to rifle fire, this time in the vicinity of Hwangchow.

Two Japanese steamers arrived yesterday, and Messrs. Butterfield and Swire's "Shengking" to-day, badly riddled, though, fortunately, there were no casualties.—Reuter.

#### Wuchang Frenzy.

Hankow, Oct. 5.

Yesterday numbers of civilians, reported to total about 2,000, were allowed to leave Wuchang by mutual consent of the contending parties.

There was a frenzied stampede to the gate, which was opened for a short time only, with the result that numbers of women and children were thrown down and trampled to death.

The refugees were in a most pitiful condition, and, when interviewed, stated that conditions were appalling. Numbers of people had already died of starvation, while a similar fate awaits many others unless the blockade is speedily lifted.—Reuter.

## CAR AS SECURITY.

FOR JUDGMENT AGAINST  
OWNER.

### CONDITION ON RETURN.

A car held in security for an amount in respect of which judgment had been given against the owner was the subject of a claim in the Summary Court this morning.

Kartar Singh, the owner of the car, claimed against Noor Ahmad for the return of the car in serviceable condition, or alternatively, \$1,000 in default of this.

It was stated in the course of the case that the car had been handed over as security for payment of \$475 in respect of which judgment on a promissory note with interest had been given against the present plaintiff.

Mr. L. D. Turner, for the plaintiff, said that he understood that there was an agreement between the parties that the car should be used by the defendant in certain ways and not in others and handed back in the condition in which it was received.

His Honour (Mr. Justice Wood) said that this must be an implied agreement as he had the actual undertaking before him.

Mr. D. McCallum, for defendant, said that his client had taken up the position all along that the plaintiff could have the car immediately the amount of the previous judgment was paid.

Mr. Turner indicated that his client was willing to pay the amount of this judgment into court and it was eventually agreed that this should be done and that the car be handed over to plaintiff to be examined by an expert mechanic as to its condition.

His Honour indicated that in the event of damage being proved such an amount would be deducted from the sum paid in.

Leave was then given for plaintiff to amend the writ to a claim for damages and the case was adjourned.

## TROUBLE OVER.

### An Understanding With Yang Sen.

#### NO MILITARY INTERFERENCE.

British Ships Not to be Boarded  
in Future.

Rugby, Oct. 6.

After the unconditional return to the British authorities of the two steamers which had been held on the Yangtze River by General Yang Sen—a preliminary measure insisted upon as the condition precedent to further negotiations—British Consular officers and General Yang Sen have discussed other matters relating to conditions on the Yangtze.

The situation as affecting British interests there, partly as a result of these conversations, shows distinct improvement and there is likely to be a discontinuance in future of military interference with British merchant shipping within an extensive area under General Yang Sen's jurisdiction.

#### Soldiers Must Pay.

In future the habit of Chinese troops to travel on river steamers without payment will have to be discontinued. Henceforth no such troops will be allowed to board British vessels.

Chungking, on the upper Yangtze, is reported to be quiet. Vessels of the British Naval flotilla are proceeding up-river to normal winter stations.—British Wireless Service.

The following is published, by courtesy of the Naval authorities in Hong Kong:

Hankow, Oct. 6.

H.M.S. "Widgeon" leaves at daylight to-morrow (Thursday) for Chungking.

## HANKOW DISORDER.

### Stones Thrown at Superintendent of Police.

Hankow, October 6.

In the course of the attempt by anti-British demonstrators to enter the British Concession (as reported yesterday), stone-throwing occurred.

The superintendent of (Concession) Police, Mr. Law, and a Sikh constable sustained nasty cuts.—Reuter.

## DUE ON 10TH.

### FLOTILLA LEADER AND DESTROYERS.

#### CRUISERS ARRIVE LATER.

Upon enquiry this morning as to when the flotilla leader, H.M.S. "Keppel," and the seven destroyers which were ordered to China from the Mediterranean station were expected in Hong Kong, the "China Mail" was informed that they were due on the 10th of this month (Sunday).

The aircraft carrier, H.M.S. "Hermes," is also due to arrive about the same date.

The four cruisers (H.M.S. ships "Yarmouth," "Dartmouth," "Carysfort" and "Castor") will arrive later, accompanied by H.M.S. "M. L. 27."

## NEW LANDSLIDE.

### BOULDER FALLS FROM OLD SITE.

#### CRASHES ON COOLIE.

While removing earth from the site of a landslide, a coolie was killed by a boulder slipping from a new landslide a little further up the incline.

This occurred yesterday near the new road above Conduit Road. A ½-ton boulder crashed on to the man, injuring his left side. A rib was fractured and there were internal injuries; the man dying half an hour after admittance into hospital.

## TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar, on demand, to-day was 1/11 1/2.

## BOYCOTT END.

### Chang Kai-shek to Return?

#### PICKETS STILL AT SAMCHUN

Dictator Said to be Keen on  
Settlement.

General Chang Kai-shek, the virtual dictator of the Canton Government, is reported to have cabled back that he may return before October 10 if his presence is imperative.

Rumour says that the present leaders in Canton have cabled the commander-in-chief, who is pre-occupied with a momentous struggle in Kiangsi. But if the settlement can only be achieved by his being on the spot he may return.

There is no change to report except that an improved tone continues, following the Canton Government's statement that communications will be restored after October 10.

Strike pickets are still on duty at Samchun (across the New Territory border), examining the usual quota of from 100 to 200 passengers who travel daily on the railway between Canton and Kowloon.

No indication has been noticed of a general withdrawal of pickets to Canton from outposts for the promised demobilisation.

#### Consul Notified.

Rugby, Oct. 6.

A message from Canton states that Mr. Eugene Chen, the Foreign Minister of the Canton Nationalist Government has informed the (British?) Consul at Shamen that his Government has now definitely decided to resume communication between Canton and Hongkong in pursuance of the intention to terminate the boycott.—British Wireless Service.

Canton, Oct. 6.

A combined meeting has been held between representatives of all classes and the Strike Committee.

It was resolved that after communications between Canton and Hong Kong had been restored, an organisation be formed to promote the development of Chinese products.

Another decision arrived at was that the Strike movement would be withdrawn but that other bodies would be formed to assist trade and protect labour.—"Wah Tsz Yat Po."

#### The "New Boycott"?

A series of resolutions were adopted at the 166th meeting of the Strikers' Representatives Committee at which it was claimed that 700 representatives and over 1,000 visitors were present.

Mr. Kam Nai-kwong of the Kuomintang and Mr. Tang Chung-ha of the All-China Labour Union spoke about new strike tactics.

It will be noticed that stress is laid not on the boycott being settled but on a transformation of policy!

#### Never Stop Fighting.

The resolutions read:—

1. In view of developing and consolidating the revolutionary forces, the old policy of blockade must be changed and transformed into a nationwide anti-British boycott. As long as the May-June massacre question is not satisfactorily settled, and as long as unjust treaties are not abolished we will never stop fighting.

2. We support the decision of the Nationalist Government for the increase of direct taxes, urge its early realisation, and demand the Government to fulfil its declaration by utilising the yield of these taxes for the support of the strikers, but not for any other use.

#### Pickets to Remain.

3. The Strike Central Executive Committee, the Strikers' Representatives Committee, the picket organisation and other organs of the strike will remain as before.

4. Those of the strikers who have not yet obtained work will receive the same treatment as formerly.

5. We demand the Nationalist Government to order the Ministry of Finance to take the responsibility concerning the question of financial support for the strikers.

6. We urge the Government to construct the Whampoa port and to complete the Canton-Hankow Railway immediately in order to help the strikers. We also demand that in any new industries, and reorganised old fac-

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### Rebuild on Adjacent Site?

#### PRESENT POLICY.

Rumours As To War Memorial  
Scheme.

A question on which it is possible that there may be discussion at the Budget debate to take place shortly is that concerning the future of the Government Civil Hospital.

Some considerable time ago it was generally understood that the present site of the Hospital was recognised to be unsatisfactory in that it is difficult of access and in a congested, noisy area.

At that time it was understood that the Hospital was to be pulled down and rebuilt at Morrison Hill but this is not contemplated in the present policy of the Government. The "China Mail" understands that, although no work has yet been put in hand and no vote passed, it is the present intention of the Government to rebuild the Hospital entirely on a site adjacent to the present Hospital (the area at present devoted to tennis lawn, etc.) and it is also gathered that the scheme provides for the present site of the Hospital being converted into public gardens.

That the Hospital is in a quarter of the city entirely Chinese is not regarded as a drawback, having regard to the fact that it is mainly concerned with service to the Chinese residents.

The scheme for rebuilding will naturally be a costly one and it is stated that, if and when carried through, it will amount to something like three million dollars.

#### Peak Hospital Future.

It is also rumoured that there may be a change in policy with regard to the War Memorial Nursing Home, a scheme having been brought forward, it is stated, whereby the Peak Hospital might be enlarged, and considerably improved, the scheme being incorporated in that which originally had, as its object the separate erection above the Peak Road of a War Memorial Nursing Home.

If this, in fact, meets with the approval of those who are concerned, then work on the War Memorial Nursing Home would not proceed and efforts would be concentrated on the Peak Hospital improvements.

Upon enquiry in official circles, the "China Mail" was informed that a formula was being sought which would meet with the approval of those concerned. No decision had yet been reached.

In this connection, it may be recalled that for some time the Government has run the Peak Hospital which was lent to it rent free as the result of the action of a public spirited gentleman.

In addition to ascertaining his views, there is, of course, the question of consulting the trustees representing subscribers, both Chinese and foreign, to the War Memorial scheme; the Government interest by reason of its contribution and the legal questions involved in any possible change of policy.

7. To rally all classes in order to enlarge the economic severance with the British.

8. We deem the new policy is neither a compromise nor a submission, but adequate and efficacious means for the present revolutionary situation. We remain certain that the realisation of this policy will bring us the final victory.

9. Our present watchwords are:—

The new policy is a strong weapon against British imperialism.

Recalling the pickets one step: Enlarge the national anti-British boycott ten steps!

#### U.S. Press Views.

American press opinion is revealed in the following by "United Press," on Oct. 4:—

The Canton Government announced that the blockade against Hong Kong and the boycott of

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## THE BANK OF TAIWAN.

The following is an abstract of the President's address at the 54th general meeting of the shareholders of the Bank of Taiwan, Limited, held in Tokyo, on September 1, 1926.

Gentlemen:—Before submitting for your approval the Bank's statement and report for the first half of 1926, I shall as usual briefly review the financial situation of the country and the economic condition of Taiwan in the period we have passed through.

The financial world of Japan still remained on the path to adjustment during the period under review. The lingering depression of our industries and commerce, in combination with the good harvest of last autumn, the steady recovery of the price of Yen and the worldwide depreciation of commodities, sent down prices from month to month. It was very fortunate that, in spite of the extraordinary rapid rise in the international value of yen since the advent of the year, the financial circles were saved from any violent commotions and enabled to cope successfully with the changing condition. The actual condition of our industries, however, forbids any optimistic view of the situation, in fact, it demands adjustment to a larger measure and preparedness for a severer period of trial than ever before.

The money market remained dull throughout the period. The Bank of Japan's note circulation, which at the end of 1925, amounted to ¥1,871,000,000, steadily decreased after the advent of the new year, and by the middle of May, when the fiduciary issue was completely withdrawn, fell to ¥1,040,000,000, the lowest level recorded since November 1921. This accounted for the successive issue of debentures and the increased buoyancy of the stock market since the beginning of the year. As the term drew near its close, however, the seasonal demand for working funds for the manufacture of silk tightened the money market beyond the general expectation. This is evidenced by the call rate which during the first three months of the year generally remained 1 or 2 rin per ¥100, per diem or 0.35—0.75 per cent, but lower than in the corresponding months of 1925, but in April reversed its course and rose by 2 or 3 rin per ¥100 p.d. (or 0.75—1.05 per cent) the term closing at 8.7 per cent, which is an advance of 1½ rin per ¥100 p.d. (or 0.5475 per cent) over the corresponding period of 1925. The banks represented at the clearing house of the whole country carried at the end of the term under review loans aggregating ¥6,000,000,000 and deposits ¥5,880,000,000 which are an increase of ¥465,000,000 and ¥562,000,000 respectively over the corresponding period of 1925.

The foreign trade of Japan in the term under review fell short of the general expectation, but was, comparatively speaking, normal. Our exports amounted to ¥993,000,000 against imports of ¥1,297,000,000, the excess of imports over exports, ¥404,000,000 being a decrease of ¥115,000,000 from the corresponding term of 1925, or of ¥98,000,000, when the figures for China and Taiwan are taken into consideration. Cotton yarn, raw silk, rice, tea and sugar among the other items of the exports decreased from the corresponding period of the preceding year, but the increase of cotton and silk tissues and other commodities resulted in an advance of the total exports to the extent of ¥9,000,000. It was very fortunate that the rapid rise in the price of yen caused no decrease in the amount of the exports. The imports, with the exception of rice,

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Hongkong, 11th April, 1926.

## PENANG COMMERCE.

Penang, September 23.

The half yearly meeting of the Penang Chamber of Commerce was held today, Mr. G. A. Potts presiding.

The chairman remarked upon the falling off in business owing to the decline in the price of rubber. He asked them to bear in mind, however, that they were returning to normal trading.

Through readjustment was difficult in its early stages, money was circulating freely.

Admittedly under boom conditions last year considerable overtrading occurred in rough and piece goods. The steady increase in the value of imports continued in the first half of the year.

Imports amounted to \$83,883,078, compared with \$62,443,837 for the corresponding period of last year.

The exports for last year amounted to \$105,831,950 and this year to \$127,802,779, the increase being due to the increased unit value of rubber and tin and also the increasing quantity of staple materials produced in the country.

Copra was a large crop.

London, September 22.—The Ceylon Timber and Rubber Syndicate, Ltd., pays an interim dividend of 15 per cent.

## RAZOR BLADE TRADE.

Sheffield's latest industry, the manufacture of blades for safety razors—once a monopoly of the United States—has made great strides during the past year. Despite difficulties due to the coal stoppage, additional machinery is being installed almost every week.

Messrs. Darwin and Milner, Ltd., who are cultivating at their Dinsley works mass production from cobalt rustless high-speed steel, have in 19 months attained an output of 1,000,000 blades a week. They have 1,500 machines, built in Sheffield from Sheffield steel, and employ more than 1,700 operatives.

Orders have been received, it is stated, from most of the British overseas Dominions and from Japan, China, and the Straits Settlements, and the firm intends to make a bid for the American trade shortly.

Johannesburg.—Owing to the failure of the maize harvest the loss on the railways for the first quarter of the financial year is \$160,000. The Railway Administration has issued a circular enjoining economy wherever practicable and the normal wastage of employees is not to be replaced.

## HONGKONG TIDE.

The tide-table given below has been obtained by aid of the Tide-predicting Machine, which includes 40 components for the better prediction of tides, from the result of the analysis of the tidal observations, taken at the Kaulung tidal observatory under the direction of Dr. Doherty during the years 1887, 1888, and 1889.



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### NOTICES.

#### BANK HOLIDAY.

In accordance with Ordinance  
No. 5 of 1912, the EXCHANGE  
BANKS will be CLOSED for the  
transaction of PUBLIC BUSINESS  
on MONDAY, the 11th instant.  
Dated 6th October, 1926.

#### FANLING HUNT RACES.

Saturday, October 30th, 1926.

ENTRIES for the STEEPLE-  
CHASE MEETING at Kwai-  
Tung Race Course, Fanling, close on  
SATURDAY, October 16th to Mr.  
A. H. POTTS, c/o Benjamin &  
Potts, from whom entry forms may  
be obtained.  
Hong Kong, 5th October, 1926.

#### HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE FOURTH EXTRA RACE  
MEETING will be held (weath-  
er permitting) at Happy Valley  
on SATURDAY, 9th October, 1926,  
commencing at 3.15 p.m. The First  
Boll will be rung at 2.45 p.m.

The charge for admission to the  
Public Enclosure will be \$1 for all  
persons including Ladies.  
Soldiers and Sailors in uniform  
half price.

Members are advised that they  
must show their Badges to obtain  
admission to the Members' Enclo-  
sure.

Each member has the right to  
introduce 2 non-members to the  
Members' Enclosure, tickets for  
whom can be obtained from Messrs.  
Linstead & Davis at \$5 each up to  
FRIDAY, 8th October, 1926.

The charge for admission for  
Ladies to the Members' Enclosure  
will be \$2. Each member can  
obtain, upon application to the  
Secretary, Badges for the admission  
of 2 Ladies free of charge.

Hong Kong, 25th Sept., 1926.

#### HONG KONG CRICKET CLUB.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL  
MEETING will be held in the  
Favilion on FRIDAY, the 15th  
OCTOBER, 1926 at 6.30 p.m.

AND  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN  
THAT ON FRIDAY THE 15th day  
of OCTOBER, 1926, immediately  
after the holding of the GENERAL  
MEETING, a drawing for the redem-  
ption of One hundred (100)  
Debitures will be held.

The numbers of the Debitures  
drawn will be published in the  
Hong Kong Government Gazette,  
and the local Newspapers, and  
holders of drawn Debitures may,  
upon giving notice to the Treasurers  
waiving the 6 months' notice to  
which they are entitled, apply on  
the 31st OCTOBER, 1926 to the  
Treasurers, Messrs. PERCY SMITH,  
SETH & FLEMING, for payment of  
the principal and interest to the  
31st OCTOBER, 1926.

By Order of the Committee,  
J. D. HUMPHREYS,  
Hon. Secretary.

Hong Kong, 1st October 1926.

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### NOTICES.

#### HONG KONG TELEPHONE CO. LIMITED.

#### NOTICE OF INTERIM DIVIDEND.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN  
that an INTERIM DIVIDEND  
of Three per cent. (3%) on the  
nominal amount per share paid up  
(£1. Thirty cents per share on the  
shares of the Company \$10 fully  
paid-up and Seven-and-a-half cents  
per share on the shares \$2.50 paid  
up), will be paid on MONDAY, the  
18th day of October, 1926, in  
respect of the financial year to the  
31st December, 1926, to the Mem-  
bers of the Company who are on  
the Register on the 18th October,  
1926.

The TRANSFER BOOKS will be  
CLOSED from MONDAY, the 11th  
October, 1926 to SATURDAY, the  
16th October, 1926, both days  
inclusive.

By Order of the Board,  
R. GUY WILKERSON,  
Secretary.  
Hong Kong, 4th October, 1926.

#### GRAND HOTEL DES WAGONS- LITS, LIMITED.

(Incorporated under the Companies  
Ordinance of Hong Kong.)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN  
that the TWENTY-THIRD  
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of  
SHAREHOLDERS of the Grand  
Hotel des Wagons-Lits, Limited,  
will be held at the then Registered  
Office of the Company, Exchange  
Building (2nd floor), Des Voeux  
Road Central, Hong Kong, on  
SATURDAY, the 6th November,  
1926, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the  
purpose of receiving a Statement of  
Accounts and the Report of the  
Directors for the year ended on the  
30th June, 1926, confirming the  
appointment of a Director, and re-  
electing a Director and the Audi-  
tors.

By Order of the Board,  
F. C. BARRY,  
Acting Secretary.  
Hong Kong, 4th October, 1926.

#### CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

#### NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN  
that Scrip Certificate No. 4333  
with respect to 27 Shares numbered  
501/510, 3135/3143, 3300, 3315 &  
4973/4982 in the above Office,  
standing in the names of Messrs.  
DAN ZAH CHING and DAN ZAI  
MING of Shanghai, has been LOST,  
and should the same not be pro-  
duced before the 19th October,  
1926, a new Scrip Certificate will  
be issued in favour of the said  
Messrs. DAN ZAH CHING and  
DAN ZAI MING, and no transaction  
taking place under the old Scrip  
Certificate will be recognised by the  
Office.

JARDINE, MATHESON &  
CO., LTD.,  
General Agents.  
Hong Kong, 5th October, 1926.

#### UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

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AUSTRALASIA & CHINA  
TELEGRAPH CO.

List of Unclaimed Telegrams  
lying in E. E. Telegraph Office  
Hongkong.

Curley, from Los Angeles.  
Gibbs, from Shanghai.  
South China Trading Co., from  
Los Angeles.

E. J. PATERSON,  
Superintendent.  
Hong Kong, 30th Sept., 1926.

### DJAVID BEY.

#### ELOQUENT SPEECH IN HIS OWN DEFENCE.

The full report of the remarkable  
speech delivered in his defence be-  
fore the Independence Tribunal at  
Angora by Djavid Bey, on August  
26 last, has just reached London.  
But, despite his eloquence, and the  
absence of any tangible evidence  
connecting him with the murder  
plot against President Mustapha  
Kemal Pasha, the famous ex-Minister  
of Finance in the days of the  
C.U.P., was sentenced to death, and  
hanged within thirty-six hours of  
his delivery of this speech, from  
which the following passages have  
been selected:

The Public Prosecutor has drawn  
an unflattering portrait of me. I  
am willing to concede to him that  
our personalities should not weigh  
in such a matter. Still, in view of  
the respective positions we have  
occupied, he might have shown a  
certain consideration of language.  
I had expected him to analyse the  
evidence given in this trial after the  
manner of a chemist in his labora-  
tory. Instead, like a novelist whose  
craftsmanship escapes our eyes, he  
has sought to bring out the springs  
and motives of our actions. You,  
honourable justices, have held that  
it was unnecessary to go into so  
profound an analysis. He framed  
his indictment as if he were giving  
a mathematical demonstration. I  
can assert with a clean conscience  
that I can be saddled with no re-  
sponsibility for the war. To those  
who were longing to go to war and  
to reconquer Egypt, I retorted at  
the time: "There are already two  
Egyptians contained within our bound-  
aries. Adana is the one; Mesopo-  
tamia is the other." And to those  
who said: "Let us occupy the Cas-  
pian!" I then reminded that Tur-  
key would not benefit from the ex-  
tension of her territory. I pointed  
out that what we lacked was, not  
territory, but man-power; and that  
no victory could compensate us  
for a decline in man-power.

But all my questions to them  
remained unanswered. For three  
months I raised every kind  
of obstacle in order to pre-  
vent Turkey's participation in  
the war. I called on the Ambassa-  
dors of the Entente Powers, beg-  
ging them to give assurances to the  
champions of peace. I wrung from  
them a collective undertaking by  
which they pledged themselves that  
the integrity of the Ottoman Empire  
would never be challenged (provid-  
ed Turkey remained at peace). You  
have but to read the telegrams  
despatched to the French and Brit-  
ish Foreign Ministers in order to  
satisfy yourselves on this point.

Finally, on October 24 there took  
place that Black Sea tragedy.  
Faithful to the line of conduct dic-  
tated to me by reason, I parted  
company with my colleagues. I  
thereupon became the object for  
charge upon charge. They at-  
tempted my life; they denounced  
me as a traitor to the motherland.  
Midhat Chukri Bey tried to per-  
suade me to show myself in the  
street. But this I carefully avoided  
doing. I made every effort to pre-  
vent these men from entering a war  
from which I knew that we could  
never emerge victorious. I knew  
this from meditation and experi-  
ence. I visualised my country, en-  
circled by the enemy like a doomed  
fortress, from the Aegean Coast to  
the Persian Gulf, as history will not  
fail to proclaim. If I have erred, may  
the motherland be saved!

The Public Prosecutor, when refer-  
ring to the calamities of the war,  
suggested that, at the very moment  
when Turkish soldiers were falling  
off every front, and when women  
and children were dying of want  
throughout the country, I was  
running after women and debau-  
chery. I have never been in life  
a slave to any particular form of  
pleasure. The regularity of my pri-  
vate life is known to everyone.

Such pursuits as those have never  
played any part in my life. Gentle-  
men, the real "parasites" are they  
who, at every period, have clung  
to a party, and have endeavoured to  
saddle that party and the nation  
with responsibility for their indi-  
vidual actions.

It is my misfortune that when-  
ever the question of a public loan  
has arisen the name of Djavid  
should forthwith be associated with  
it. In point of fact, during the  
whole of my career I have only con-  
cluded two loans, totalling £12,000,  
000 at 4 per cent. Of the sums so  
raised, £4,000,000 went to liquidate  
the debts left by Abdul Hamid,  
while another £5,000,000 were  
placed at the disposal of Mahmaud  
Shevket Pasha for the equipment of  
the army. The balance of the  
loans, for the first time in Turkish  
history, was devoted to the financial  
rehabilitation of the State. Thanks  
to me every Turkish official received  
his salary for the first time  
punctually. The whole basis of our  
national administration was built  
up on these modest credits. The  
loans, moreover, had been obtained  
on terms which had never been ob-  
tained since the Crimean War. I  
am proud of this. Except for the  
cost of the telegrams exchanged be-  
tween Berlin and Constantinople  
not a single para was deducted from  
the loans for any purpose.

Yes, gentlemen, despite the dis-  
couraging remarks of my col-  
leagues, I faced, single-handed, the  
greatest Powers in the world.  
Single-handed, I fought the biggest  
financiers produced by France.  
Even M. Tardieu wrote on one  
occasion: "Had Djavid Bey only  
accepted the terms offered by  
France he could have appeared be-  
fore Parliament with serene confi-  
dence." But the man mentioned in  
this sentence, Tardieu has never  
known any other lot but Hell. From  
the day I entered the Agricultural  
Bank after leaving school, on a  
salary of 300 piastres, my life and  
earnings have been daily recorded  
on paper. And a man who has  
played, as I have played, not with  
cards, but with millions in gold,  
does not even own a hut.

May the decision you are  
about to give with regard to me  
not haunt your consciences by  
arousing remorse at your happiest  
moment. If you believe what I  
have said, so much the better. If  
you should not believe it, I cannot  
help that. Fate will have decided  
against me!

#### SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN HONG KONG FOR OCTOBER, 1926.

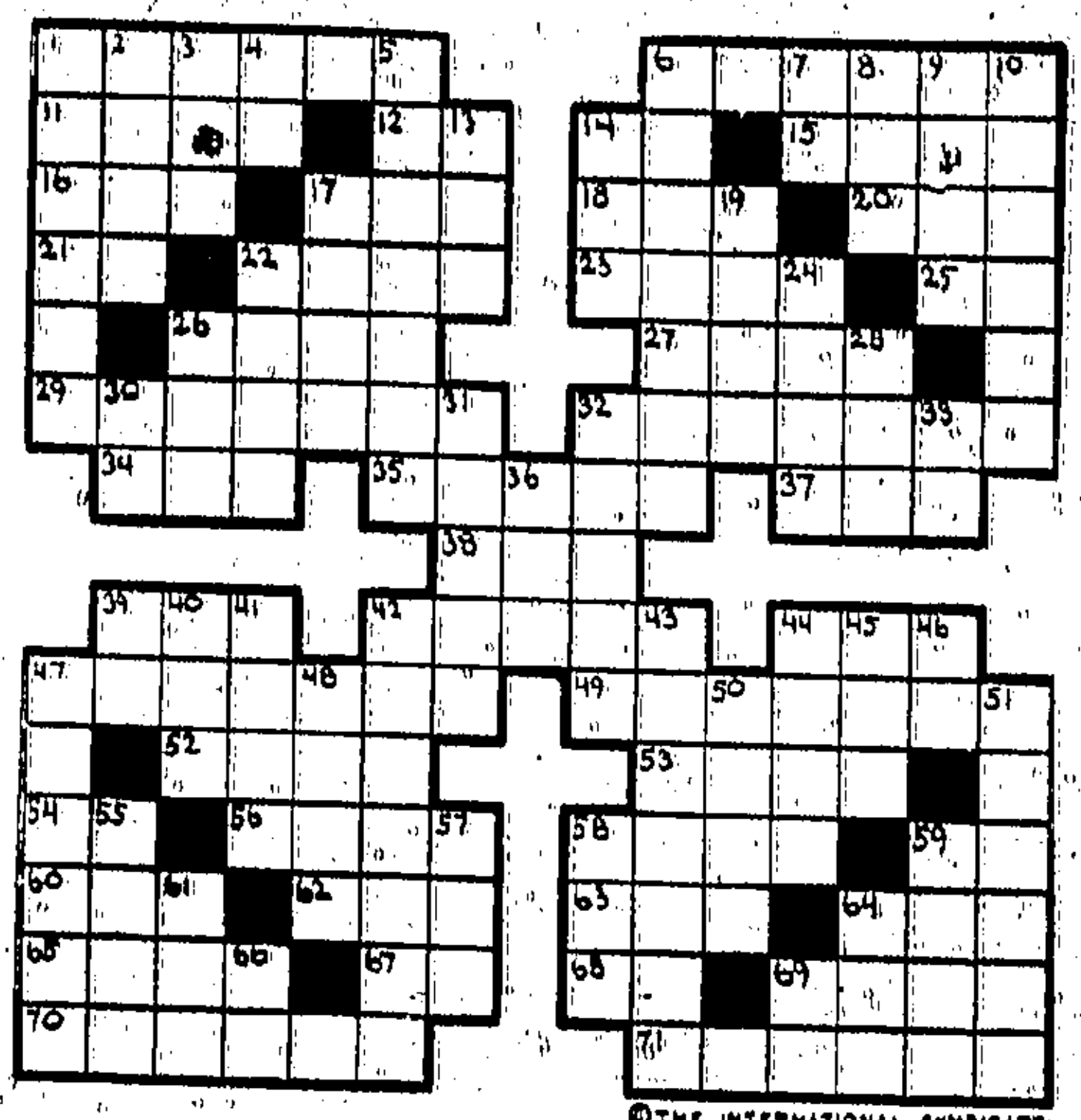
(Standard Time of the 120th  
Meridian, East of Greenwich.)

Date.	Sunrise.	Sunset.
October	a.m.	p.m.
7	6.16	6.06
8	6.16	6.05
9	6.17	6.04
10	6.17	6.03
11	6.18	6.02
12	6.18	6.02
13	6.19	6.01
14	6.19	6.00
15	6.19	5.59
16	6.20	5.58
17	6.20	5.57
18	6.21	5.56
19	6.21	5.55
20	6.21	5.54
21	6.22	5.54
22	6.22	5.53
23	6.23	5.52
24	6.23	5.52
25	6.24	5.51
26	6.25	5.50
27	6.25	5.50
28	6.25	5.49
29	6.26	5.49
30	6.26	5.48
31	6.27	5.47

"The speaker of the radio must  
use common sense; he has to  
have something to say and he has  
to be short and to the point."  
Vice-President Dawes.

### OUR CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert  
but our readers are warned to look out for occasional  
phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



#### HORIZONTAL

- 1-Bastion
- 2-One of two
- 3-Principal Egyptian goddess
- 4-A dagger (abbr.)
- 5-Prefix. ON
- 6-Interdict
- 7-Past
- 8-Prefix. Beside
- 9-Deep hole
- 10-A measure of capacity (abbr.)
- 11-A seaweed
- 12-Entice
- 13-A metal (abbr.)
- 14-To grip
- 15-Girl's name
- 16-Honey of plants (pl.)
- 17-Vulgar
- 18-Round, hooped vessels (abbr.)
- 19-Coarse grass
- 20-Reclined
- 21-To be somewhat ill
- 22-Lightest form of matter
- 23-A sailing vessel
- 24-N. Con. State of U. S. (abbr.)
- 25-Runs
- 26-A fruit (pl.)
- 27-To the ice-land
- 28-Before noon (Latin abbr.)
- 29-Staff of office

#### HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 30-Pack
- 31-Package of bulky goods (abbr.)
- 32-Governor (abbr.)
- 33-A large stream (abbr.)
- 34-Lacerated
- 35-Prefix. Three
- 36-Torture
- 37-Iron (Chem. sym.)
- 38-North latitude (abbr.)
- 39-Shortly
- 40-Break
- 41-Pass away, as of time

#### VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 42-Greek god of love
- 43-Bachelor of Civil Law (abbr.)
- 44-Sleeveless garment of Arabia
- 45-Flood, as the tide (Rif. Spelling)
- 46-Close tightly
- 47-Eskimo house
- 48-An army officer (abbr.)
- 49-Disease (abbr.)
- 50-S. State of U. S. (abbr.)
- 51-The utmost possible
- 52-Bang
- 53-State in full terms
- 54-Bubble
- 55-Was sure of
- 56-EPOCH
- 57-Point of compass (abbr.)
- 58-Embraces firmly
- 59-"The Tank-Maker" (First name)
- 60-Drug-producing plant
- 61-Salty
- 62-Suppressed groan
- 63-Fire woman
- 64-Spanish for saint
- 65-Brothers (abbr.)
- 66-By way of
- 67-Summit
- 68-Officer empowered to administer oaths (abbr.)
- 69-A continent (abbr.)

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will  
appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word  
puzzle.)

### LAMMERT BROS.

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and Surveyors.

#### Public Auctions

THE Undersigned have received  
instructions to sell by Public  
Auction

ON  
SATURDAY, the 9th Oct., 1926,  
commencing at 11 a.m.  
at their Sales Room, Duddell Street.

A Quantity of  
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FURNITURE.

On View on Day of Sale.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.  
LAMMERT BROS.,  
Auctioneers.  
Hong Kong, 6th October, 1926.

THE Undersigned have received  
instructions from The Regis-  
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gon, Glass Case, etc., etc.

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rors, Teak Dressing Tables with  
Bevelled Mirrors, Teak Chest of  
Drawers, Dressing Mirror, Com-  
modes, etc., etc.

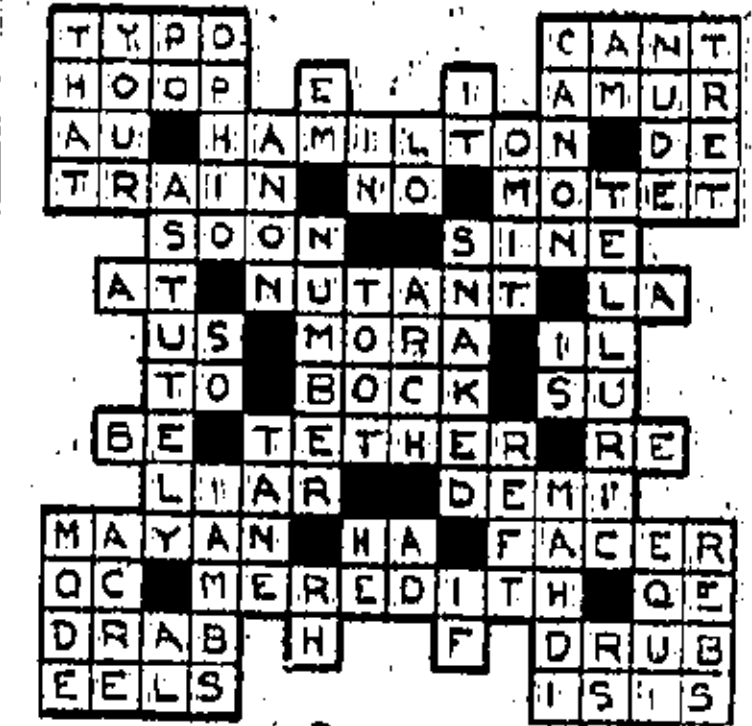
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October, 1926.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.  
LAMMERT BROS.,  
Auctioneers.  
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BOMBAY—Via Singapore and Colombo. Tuesday, 19th October.

BORNEO MARU ... Wednesday, 3rd November.

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PANAMA MARU ... Wednesday, 20th October.

CALCUTTA—Via Singapore and Rangoon.

SEATTLE MARU ... Monday, 25th October.

BANGKOK—Via Saigon. End of October.

VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA &amp; VANCOUVER—Japan Ports from Shanghai.

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HAMBURG MARU ... Wednesday, 13th October.

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KAIJO MARU ... Sunday, 17th October, at 10 a.m.

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KOTSU MARU ... Wednesday, 20th October, 8 a.m.

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**SHIPPING SECTION.****SHIPPING NOTES.**

VESSELS FROM FAR AND NEAR.

LATEST INTELLIGENCE.

The Japanese steamer "Malacca Maru" arrived this morning from Osaka and Moji and brought 408 tons of general cargo and 20 bags of mail. She will sail for Calcutta, Singapore and Penang to-morrow.

Bound for Seattle via Shanghai and Japan, the Admiral Oriental line "President Jackson" will sail this afternoon with 32 cabin passengers, over 300 tons of cargo for ports en route, and mail for United States and Canada.

The C.P.R. liner "Empress of Russia" which left Hong Kong on September 13 arrived in Vancouver on October 4.

From Poochow and Amoy, the s.s. "Hsiching" of the Douglas Steamship Co. Ltd. arrived yesterday afternoon with 408 tons of general cargo for discharge here.

The s.s. "City of Bath" arrived at daylight to-day with no cargo for Hong Kong. She has over 1,000 tons for ports beyond. She will load cargo from here, and will sail for New York, Boston and Baltimore, via the Suez Canal to-morrow.

Coming from Australia via Manila, the s.s. "Change" of the Eastern and Australian Line is expected to arrive to-morrow. The "Change" left Manila on Tuesday afternoon.

The French steamer "Les Fils de Paul Doumer" arrived from Saigon yesterday afternoon and brought over 1,247 tons of rice and three bags of mail for Hong Kong.

The B.I. steamer "Shirala" is due to-morrow from Shanghai via Amoy with cargo and mail. Messrs. Mackinnon, Mackenzie will despatch her on October 10 at noon, for Calcutta via Singapore and Penang.

The Blue Funnel steamer "Philoctetes" arrived yesterday without any cargo for Hong Kong. She is loading cargo for Japan and will sail this afternoon after loading.

Two steamers of the China Navigation Co. Ltd. will sail to-morrow morning for different ports. The s.s. "Kaying" will sail for Amoy, Shanghai and Bangkok. The "Suiyang" en route to Shanghai and Tsingtao.

**CARNARVON BAY LIGHT-SHIP.**

A deputation of experts to urge the restoration of the Carnarvon Bay lightship met the Elder Brethren of Trinity House on Tuesday, August 24. The vessel was removed some weeks ago by order of Trinity House, and a deputation of protest, consisting of North Wales M.P.'s and Captain P. Fortay, president of the Mercantile Marine Service Association, waited on the President of the Board of Trade, Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister.

The last deputation was the result of that meeting. Headed by Captain Fortay, it included several shipmasters who had charge of vessels using the Mersey and neighbouring ports, and presented technical evidence in favour of the restoration of the light.

**CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.**

Consignees of Cargo per s.s. "Belomond" are reminded that goods remaining undelivered after October 11, will be subject to rent.

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TWO TINS FOUND ON A STEAMBOAT.

SMUGGLER ESCAPES.

Two tins containing about 50 lbs. of gunpowder were seized in unusual manner at the Canton steamer wharf of the Hong Kong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co. Ltd. yesterday.

The "Lungshan" was coaling at the wharf. A junkman is alleged to have attempted to put one of the tins into the native engine room when the latter demurred, pointing out that the tin was addressed to the "Fatahan" and not the "Lungshan."

When other attention was drawn, the junkman realised his position and threw the second tin into the harbour, whence it was recovered.

It is suspected that the powder was to have been smuggled away to Canton. Chief Preventive Officer S. J. Clarke of the Revenue Dept. has the case in hand.

**LOCAL SHIPPING.**

TO-DAY'S ARRIVALS AND CLEARANCES.

THE MORNING LIST.

This morning, the following sea-going arrivals: at Hongkong were reported:—

Shansi (1228) Bri. from Shanghai; B. & S.  
City of Bath (3154) Bri. from Hankow and Keelung; Bank Line.  
Hsiching (1257) Bri. from Poochow and Amoy; Douglas LaPrak.  
Les Fils de Paul Doumer (704) French, from Saigon; Hack Yuan Hong.  
"Malacca Maru" (3210) Jap. from Osaka and Moji; N.Y.K.  
Departures:

For Manila: Empress of Asia.  
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For Tournay: Jade.  
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For Kobe: Philoctetes.

**SHIPS IN PORT.**

At 9 a.m. to-day the following numbers of vessels were in port:—

British	22
American	1
Panama	1
Norwegian	1
German	1
Japanese	1
Chinese	13
Dutch	5
Portuguese	3
French	2
No flag	1
Total	51

**TIENTSIN QUARANTINE.**

The Superintendent of Customs and the Treaty Power Consul at Tientsin have declared the port of Amoy to be cholera infected. All vessels going to Tientsin from Amoy will be governed by the sanitary regulations there until further notice. Precautions will be confined for the present to medical inspection.

**AN OPTIMISTIC SHIPOWNER.**

Sir Thomas Wilson, senior partner of Messrs. Wilson and Reid, Ltd., shipowners of Belfast, who is chairman of the Shipping Federation of Ulster, and represents Ireland on the National Maritime Board, left Liverpool in the White Star liner "Adriatic" for New York. Besides being a shipowner, Sir Thomas Wilson has interests as a shipbuilder. He is now going to America on shipbuilding business. The last four years, he said, had been the quietest there have been for shipbuilding in Ireland, but he thought there would be a marked change for the better soon. A shipbuilding firm was very likely, he thought, to secure orders for several steamers for one line, totalling 70,000 tons. In addition, they had definite orders for other steamers for the carriage of fruit and other cargoes. Unfortunately, however, there would be delay in starting a good deal of this new work owing to inability to obtain materials in consequence of the coal strike.

**UNSEAWORTHY.**

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT IN "POLERIC" CASE.

A SHIFTED GRAIN CARGO.

The report has now been issued of Mr. Justice Morrison, the Royal Commissioner appointed to inquire into the question of the loading of the grain cargo into the steamer "Poleric" at Vancouver. The vessel, which has a gross tonnage of 6,260, left Vancouver last November for the Far East and, owing to the shifting of her grain cargo, was obliged to put back when some 400 miles to the westward of Cape Flattery. She arrived at Victoria (B.C.) on Nov. 12, when the Salvage Association's Surveyor reported that the entire bulk grain cargo had settled to starboard, leaving 600 tons vacant space on the port side of the ship. The restowing of the cargo and the execution of sundry repairs to the ship delayed her until Nov. 23. The cargo was undamaged.

Mr. Justice Morrison found that the "Poleric" was unseaworthy when she began her voyage, and that the responsibility for her being cleared in this condition must be shared by Captain Tait, the Vancouver Port Warden, though he adds that this finding does not in any way impugn Captain Tait's efficiency as a navigator. The material parts of the report are as follows:—

**Structural Defects.**  
"The evidence shows that, in the case of the 'Poleric,' not only was there slack stowage of grain, but that there were serious structural defects and omission in the fitting out. This is corroborated by Captain Logan, one of the surveyors, and also by Captain B. L. Johnson, Lloyd's Agent for British Columbia. Captain Tait admits that as regards this state of affairs he did overlook a proper or indeed any adequate inspection owing, as he alleges, to lack of time, insufficiency of assistance and unsatisfactory financial arrangements to enable him to perform his duties properly."

"These conditions, assuming they existed, were conditions over which Captain Tait had control, and it is submitted that their existence did not justify Captain Tait in permitting any ship to be cleared as seaworthy when, by superficial personal inspection, it could be determined she was not. As to the matter of stowage of the 'Poleric,' he relied upon the assurance of the ship's officers. Parenthetically it may be taken that he did so in regard to all the other ships as well. He thereby erroneously assumed that he was not responsible, whereas he should have known that it was of the essence of the proper performance of his duties to see that every ship passing under his inspection was seaworthy with all that term implies, under the Act and regulations."

**A Suspect Ship.**  
"The 'Poleric' was a ship which required to be subjected to an especially careful inspection by the port warden, owing to her antecedents, being what I might term a 'suspect' ship as regards her adaptability for employment in the carrying of grain cargoes. Captain Collington reported, and I so find as a fact, that, when cleared, she was indifferently fitted and not grain tight."

"I therefore find that the 'Poleric' was unseaworthy when she began her voyage on the occasion in question, and that the responsibility for her being cleared in such condition must be shared by Captain Tait. That Captain Tait is responsible does not relieve the captain and officers of the 'Poleric' from being visited with the consequences of their conduct in either actively misleading him, or refraining from assisting him, as they were obliged, to have the ship made seaworthy."

**A Feeling of Dissatisfaction.**  
"As to the other ships referred to in the course of the investigation, I find that there was conflicting evidence, but nevertheless a feeling of dissatisfaction was manifest in the shipping community in respect of these (notwithstanding no disaster followed) as well as to the manner in which Captain Tait was performing his duties."

"Captain Tait's efficiency as a navigator is not in any way impugned hereby, but only his capacity for performing the duties of this particular 'shore job'—a line of work for which, it may safely be asserted, he was not qualified, having particular regard to the fact that he had not had sufficient experience as master in the grain-carrying trade."

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Lahad Datu	Arrival			
Sandakan	Arrival			
Hongkong	Arrival	FRIDAY	October	8
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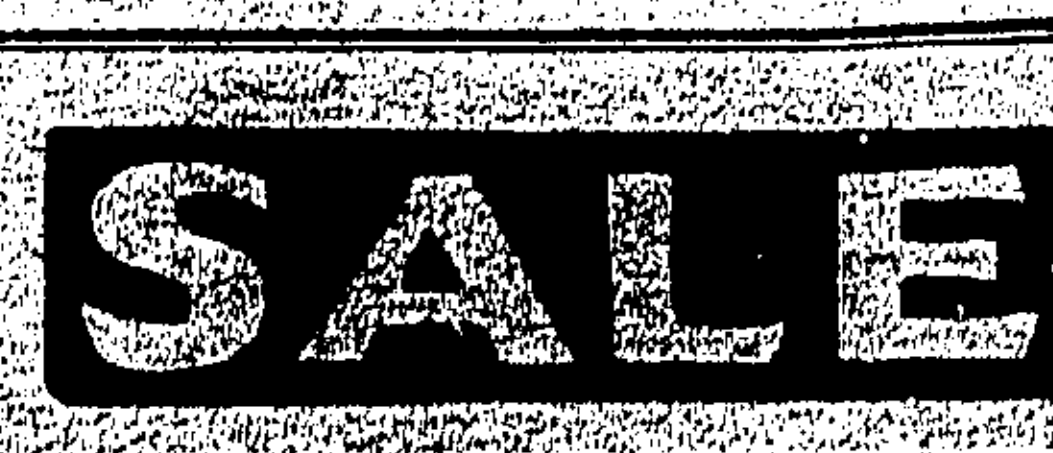
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NYANZA	7,023	27th Oct.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
KHYBER	9,114	30th Oct.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
ALIPORE	8,273	8th Nov.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
MANTUA	10,902	13th Nov.	Marseilles and London
DEVANHA	8,155	25th Nov.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
KARMALA	9,128	27th Nov.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
NELLORE	8,853	9th Dec.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
MACEDONIA	11,089	11th Dec.	Marseilles and London
DELTA	8,097	23rd Dec.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
KHIVA	9,135	25th Dec.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
NYANZA	7,023	8th Jan.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
MALWA	10,941	8th Jan.	Marseilles and London
KALYAN	9,144	22nd Jan.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
MOREA	10,918	5th Feb.	Marseilles and London
KASHMIR	9,005	19th Feb.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp
MANTUA	10,902	5th March	Marseilles & London
KASHGAR	9,005	12th March	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
MONGOLIA	10,504	19th March	Marseilles & London
MACEDONIA	11,120	2nd April	Marseilles & London
DEVANHA	8,155	9th April	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
KARMALA	9,128	16th April	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
MALWA	10,941	30th April	Marseilles and London
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for a general reduction made by

the Philippine Shipowner's Associa-

tion be granted by the public utility

commissioner. A hearing will be

given on November 12 and the re-

duction will take effect January

1, 1927, should the request be grant-

ed. The petition in full follows:—

(a) For the transportation of

passengers: Reducing to 15 per

cent the present authorized in-

crease of 20 per cent. over the

rates established by order No. 16

of the former board of rate regula-

tion.

(b) For the transportation of

freight upon all first class steam-

ships having a tonnage of more

than 1,000 tons net, except with re-

spect to the steamships "Panay,"

"Vicenza," "Venus," and "Cebu,"

while serving the Hilo and Cebu

ports.

Reducing to 30 per cent. the pre-

sent authorized increase of 40 per

cent. over rates established by or-

der No. 16 of the former board of

rate regulation.

(c) For the transportation of

freight upon the steamships

"Panay," "Bohol," "Vicenza,"

"Venus," and "Cebu," while serving

the Hilo and Cebu ports.

Reducing to 20 per cent. the pre-

sent authorized increase of 30 per

cent. over the rates established by

order No. 16 of the former board

of rate regulation.

(d) For the transportation of

freight upon all steamships of the

second class having a tonnage of

not less than 150 tons net and not

more than 400 tons net.

Reducing to 50 per cent. the

present authorized increase of 60

per cent. over the rates established

by order No. 16 of the former board

of rate regulation.

(e) For the transportation of

freight upon all third class steam-

ships having a tonnage of not less

than 50 tons net and not more than

150 tons net.

Reducing to 65 per cent. the pre-

sent authorized increase of 75 per

cent. over the rates established by

order No. 16 of the former board

of rate regulation.

The order issued by the commis-

sioners yesterday directs the ship-

owners' association to submit at

the hearing a certified statement

showing all the vessels owned and

operated by each of the shipowners,

together with the respective ton-

nage capacity of each vessel.

## PASSENGER LIST.

### DEPARTURES.

List of passengers departed per

s.s. "Empress of Asia" for Manila,

on October 6:—

Mrs. B. S. Anderson, Rev. M.

Alonso, Mr. and Mrs. J. Aoyagi,

Miss N. Allen, Sister J. Bessler,

Mr. A. M. Black, Mr. Berghoff,

Mrs. Black and two children, Miss

M. E. Baker, Mr. D. G. Beebe,

Mr. Chin Lay, Mrs. Chan On, Mr.

Chin Wah, Mr. A. Carpi, Mrs. W.

E. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. A. H.

Collbran, Mr. A. Collbran, Miss

H. Collbran, Sister S. Dussler,

Miss N. Dirks, Mr. and Mrs.

Destrius, Mr. A. Fornace, Mr. S.

L. Frost, Miss M. Grace, Mr. M.

Talbert, Miss M. Gaffney, Mrs.

A. L. Goffney, Mr. J. W. Goffney,

Mr. P. Garcia, Mrs. Ho Shee, Mr.

and Mrs. H. Hoffman, Mr. and

Mrs. T. A. Haynes, Mr. Hoong

Tung-ming, Mr. F. A. Johnson,

Sister A. Kumb, Sister E. Krassey,

Mrs. C. Kay, Mr. T. A. Kam, Mr.

and Mrs. C. H. Kelling, Mr. S. G.

Kirkland, Miss L. D. Kirkness,

Mrs. Lau See, Mrs. Lee She, Mrs.

Lee Yook, Mrs. Lui She, Mr. G. N.

Lamb, Mr. and Mrs. H. Leventhal,

Mr. A. Leventhal, Mr. J. A. Muller,

Miss H. Munro, Master D. Munro,

Master A. Munro, Miss M. Munro,

Mrs. E. A. Munro, Mr. A. Mahenda,

Mrs. Ng Si, Mr. J. J. Nester, Sister

H. Rehm, Rev. J. Rodriguez, Sister

A. Scherer, Mr. A. P. Santiago,

Mrs. Sam Sing, Mr. and Mrs. E. F.

Somes, Miss B. Somes, Mr. T.

Shuipo, Mrs. R. C. Smith and three

children, Miss M. G. Silsby, Mr.

and Mrs. E. Schrepper, Mrs. G.

Simpson, Mr. J. de Santos, Miss E.

Seranton, Mrs. W. J. Thierien, Mr.

E. Velky, Miss Vu Sea, Mr. Wong

Chap, Mr. P. Wagner, Mr. and

Mrs. G. White, Mr. E. A. Wynkoop,

Yam Hay, Mr. Yam Yee, Mr. L.

Yates, Mr. A. G. Zimmerman,

Mr. S. E. Zelinski, Mr. and Mrs.

R. W. Gibson, Miss E. Gibson, Miss

J. Gibson and Miss A. Gibson.

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two boys growing up in this coun-

try and I'm going to vote for the

boy."—Col. Cyrus Peck.

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## BIRTHS.

**BOSTOCK.**—On Sept. 21, at  
Swedenbank, Colombo, to Mr.  
and Mrs. N. S. Bostock, a son.  
**MARWOOD.**—At the Fraser  
Memorial Home, Colombo, on  
Sept. 21, to Mr. and Mrs. H. C.  
Marwood, a daughter.  
**WHITE.**—At the Fraser Memorial  
Nursing Home, Colombo, on  
Sept. 22, to the wife of H. J.  
White, a son.

Hongkong, Thursday, October 7, 1926.

## AN END OF MARKING TIME.

Marking time is not at the best  
a profitable proposition. In the  
case of the Government essential  
public works are held up; votes  
are trimmed down to the utter-  
most; and a general state of  
vegetation creeps in that works to  
the detriment of the Colony as a  
whole. Retrenchment may to  
some have something of a glori-  
ous, self-sacrificing ring about it  
—dear to the hearts of those who  
would like nothing better than to  
be regarded by posterity as  
Apostles of Economy. But it is  
not always proved by subsequent  
hard facts to be real economy. A  
certain municipality once upon a  
time was "hard up." It had got  
into the hands of municipal  
spendthrifts, and, to save the  
ship, it resolved to raise a loan  
to pay its debts and at the same  
time to suspend all work on  
roads, bridges, and public utilities  
for a period of two years. But it  
reckoned not with the Minister  
for Public Works for the State.  
"However you economise, how-  
ever you retrench, however you  
raise funds to pay your debts,  
provide a sinking fund, and  
secure your financial future, it is  
imperative that you continue the  
legitimate maintenance and re-  
pair of your roads, bridges, and  
public utilities, or your last state  
will be immeasurably worse than  
your first." And that dictum  
had to be obeyed—merely to prove  
the wisdom of the Minister's  
words.

Here we have retrenchment and  
economy dinned into our ears  
since the flat went forth at the  
instance of Sir Reginald Stubbs.  
The Government has fallen down  
and worshipped the ideal. Re-  
trenchment has been converted  
from a panacea into a mania.  
"Money, money, everywhere and  
not a cent to spend" on ensuring

that the Colony shall progress  
with the times and be in a posi-  
tion to cope with the turning of  
the tiral tide on the termination  
of the boycott. But—it may be  
said—have not votes by the mil-  
lion been passed right throughout  
the period of depression by the  
Government? True!—votes  
essential only to save the ship  
and prevent it becoming a  
complete wreck. There is not a  
single Department but has been in  
a state of financial starvation  
during the past sixteen months,  
when a little less of the previous  
doctrine of retrenchment and a  
little more of the genuine  
policy of true economy might  
have saved thousands in the long  
run.

Now there can be no longer  
an excuse for the obsession of re-  
trenchment. There can be no  
more marking time at the expense  
of the ultimate benefit of the  
Colony. There must be no more  
spoiling things for the lack of a  
halfpenny worth of tar. The  
financial administration of the  
Colony has got to be galvanised.  
Rip Van Winkleism must go. The  
need for a bold and progressive  
policy will be greater after Octo-  
ber 10—the date of the termina-  
tion of the boycott—than it has  
ever been since the close of the  
Great War. In the framing of  
the Budget shortly we look to the  
Government to take its courage in  
its hands and to display at long  
last a stroke of real financial  
genius. The Colony is ready for  
it. Let it not be disappointed!

## MR. POULTER SHOT?

BELIEF OF RELEASED LADY  
MISSIONARY.

When a naval communique an-  
nounced that the captured Custom  
launch "Kongmoon Chai"  
had been found and Miss Leopore  
Scarlett, a missionary, taken back  
to Kongmoon, nothing was said  
as to the fate of Mr. Poulter, the  
Customs officer in charge, or of  
the three loyal seamen.

From later reports it appears  
probable that these were murder-  
ed out of hand when the attack  
took place.

The launch is reported to have  
been captured as the result of  
connivance of certain of the  
crew, new men who had not long  
been with the boat; these also  
smuggled two members of the  
gang on board who emerged on a  
given signal.

Soon after the launch left Kong-  
moon shots were heard on deck  
and the engineer and fireman  
were confined in the engine room,  
Miss Scarlett later being taken  
from her cabin and placed with  
them. Although neither of them  
saw the events on deck they are  
of opinion that the shots were  
fired at Mr. Poulter and the loyal  
crew on deck in order that posses-  
sion of the vessel might be  
secured.

## M. C. L. FETE.

FIXED FOR SATURDAY,  
NOV. 6.

The annual fete organised by the  
Hong Kong Women's Guild has  
come to be one of the brightest of  
the winter functions and the Guild  
officials are working with a view  
to making the fete this year as at-  
tractive and successful as ever.

The date fixed for the fete is  
November 6 (a Saturday), the use  
of the grounds of Government  
House having been granted by per-  
mission of H.E. the Governor. The  
fete will open at 2-30 p.m.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

DISPOSSESSED PROPERTY  
OWNERS.

ALLEGED UNFAIRNESS.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail"]

Sir,—In their policy of town  
planning at Kowloon City and  
other places in the Colony, the  
Government ordered many dwell-  
ings to be pulled down, alternative  
sites being allocated to owners in  
districts under development with  
the condition that houses should  
be built within a certain period.  
As one who was affected by  
this, I should like to know how it  
is that the Government are hold-  
ing the dispossessed owners to the  
letter of the agreement as re-  
gards the period of time for erec-  
tion, taking the land away if  
building work is not put in hand,  
whereas the Government itself  
has failed to make good its pro-  
mise with regard to developing  
the neighbourhood and providing  
roads—schemes which are held  
up on account of the "economy"  
campaign.

Surely, in view of the fact that  
the same factors have contributed  
to the shortage of capital on the  
part of the owners and of the  
Government, due allowance should  
be made for delay in erection—  
two years should be allowed, as I  
will probably be fully that time  
before the Government, on its  
part, completes the work of de-  
velopment.

As it is, the owners are losing  
all round in that their original  
houses have been pulled down and  
even the alternative sites taken  
away from them.

To give a few instances.—Al-  
ternative sites for ones taken  
over by the Government were  
provided in Yau-mati adjacent to a  
spot which the Government an-  
nounced its intention of develop-  
ing as a market, sites which it  
was understood would be ade-  
quate compensation in view of  
enhanced values which the vicin-  
ity of a market would give them.  
The market scheme is indefinitely  
postponed—but is the liability of  
dispossessed owners and others  
who bought land on this under-  
standing indefinitely postponed?  
Not a bit of it. If the houses are  
not erected in the prescribed  
periods, the land is taken over  
again by the Government.

And then, again, the dairy  
farms which had been scattered  
about Kowloon and the vicinity  
of the sites of which the Govern-  
ment took over, providing new  
ones at the back of Diamond Hill,  
Kowloon City. Owing to the re-  
moteness of the new site, it was  
understood that a road would be  
built connecting up with the  
Kowloon City road. Has that  
agreement been fulfilled? Not a  
bit of it. There is only a rough  
track, a bridge on which has still  
to be repaired. The new site cer-  
tainly has the advantage of a  
supply of clean water but there  
is practically no pasture. It  
seems to me that the proprietors  
of these small dairy farms have  
just cause for grievance as have  
all who either bought, or were  
awarded as compensation, land  
which it was understood would  
be developed by the Government.  
The Government is not alone in  
being hit by prevailing depres-  
sion. The same conditions have  
contributed to restricting capital  
for developing land everywhere  
and the same "indefinite postpone-  
ment" conditions—or at least two  
years' grace, should be afforded  
private persons which the Govern-  
ment has arranged for itself.

Yours, etc.,

Hong Kong, Oct. 6.

## REPUBLIC ANNIVERSARY.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail"]

Sir,—After reading the doings  
which took place in celebration of  
the Anniversary of the Republic  
of Portugal on Tuesday, it strikes  
me to enquire if the two members  
of Council representing as they  
do the Chinese of this Colony,  
are to hold any function on the  
coming Sunday to mark the 15th  
Anniversary of the Republic of  
China.

What I mean is, will there be a  
reception, say at the Chinese or  
at the Merchants' Club, where  
East meets West in a spirit of con-  
cord—amidst feelings of sincerity  
and warm friendship?

The opportunity should not be  
missed, as the day is free to all,  
and I am sure that H.E. the Gov-  
ernor will be delighted to attend,  
as it was, he who spoke of the  
high values that will bring about  
the formation of a Concord Club  
in this Colony, the membership  
of which, of course, was to in-  
clude Chinese.

If I am not mistaken, the Chi-  
nese Ambassadors at the European  
Courts hold this annual function  
which is usually attended by a  
distinguished gathering.

The two Chinese representa-  
tives, enthusiastic as they are,  
Continued at foot of next column.

## CHURCH OPENING.

UNIQUE H.K. FUNCTION ON  
SATURDAY.

DETAILS OF SERVICES.

On Saturday the official opening  
will be held of the new To Tsai  
Church (First Church of Christ in  
China) at Bonham Road.

At 2 p.m. a dedicatory service will  
be conducted by the Rev. S. W.  
Cheung of the Basel Mission, who  
is the oldest minister among the  
Chinese available for this occasion.  
He is also the father of the present  
pastor of this Church.

At 4 p.m. the Church Hall will  
be opened by Madame Wu Ting-  
fang who is a sister of the late Sir  
Kai Ho Kai and a daughter of a  
former minister, the Rev. Ho Tsun-  
shin, who was perhaps the first  
ordained minister in Kwangtung  
province. (Dr. Wu Ting-fang was  
the best known diplomat of modern  
China and died in Canton in 1922.)

**Bazaar Proceeds.**  
At 6.30 p.m., a dinner will be  
taken in the Church Hall. It will  
be a Chinese dinner, the cost of  
tickets for which is \$2.

The net proceeds of the recent  
bazaar will be somewhat over  
\$7,000, a very substantial sum to-  
wards the reduction of the debt of  
\$40,000.

On Sunday at 2 p.m. the first reg-  
ular service will be held in the  
Church, and it is expected that there  
will be two weddings on Monday.

On Monday evening a concert will  
be given in the Church Hall by the  
boys of the Ying Wa College, the  
day being a holiday in honour of  
the Chinese National Day (Inau-  
gural of the Republic).

## THREE PASSES.

ROYAL SANITARY INSTITUTE  
CERTIFICATE.

CABLE FROM LONDON.

An examination for the certifi-  
cate of "Inspectors of Nuisances"  
was held by the Hong Kong Board  
of Examinations of the Royal  
Sanitary Institute in August last.  
Four candidates presented them-  
selves, and of these the following  
were successful:—A. T. Braley,  
E. N. Powford, R. A. Smith.

The candidates' examination  
papers were submitted to the In-  
stitute in London and a cable has  
just been received confirming the  
decision of the Hong Kong ex-  
aminers.

The Hong Kong Board is con-  
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F.C.S., M.R., San. I.

may be making arrangements for  
the reception, which, I hope, will  
meet with success, especially as it  
is an occasion on which the ties of  
cordiality would be drawn closer  
together.

Yours, etc.,

WELL-WISHER.

Hong Kong, Oct. 7.

## THE "WAN-HSIEN" HEROES.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail"]

Sir,—The moving circum-  
stances of the death of Nelson  
have been told by Southey with a  
touching fulness which has found  
its way to many a heart of the  
past and present generations. The  
epic of the Yangtze River, when  
Commander Darley, of H.M.S.  
"Despatch" who had been sent  
from Hankow with a party of  
officers and men, arrived at Wan-  
hsien and set out to rescue the  
officers of the "Wanliu," which  
has been so graphically described  
in the columns of your paper, will  
go down in history and in the  
annals of the British Navy for  
all time.

Shanghai papers to hand report  
a memorial service of a "semi-  
official character" which was held  
at Holy Trinity Cathedral on  
Sunday last, when the British  
Consul-General and the entire  
Consular Body of Shanghai paid  
tribute to those who had laid  
down their lives in protection of  
British and other interests  
against the tyrannies of a Spar-  
tan treaty violator. Is that hero-  
ism nothing to Hong Kong?  
One can say no more!

Yours, etc.,

MONITOR.

Hong Kong, Oct. 7.

[See also page 8, under sport.]

## CONCERT PROCEEDS.

\$3,000 RAISED FOR ALICE  
HOSPITALS.

THOSE WHO HELPED.

A sum of \$3,082.47 is the total  
—including a very generous contri-  
bution of \$500 from Captain T. P.  
Hall—of proceeds of the concert  
held in the Theatre Royal on Sept.  
20 in aid of the Alice Memorial and  
Affiliated Hospitals.

Details of the financial statement  
submitted for publication through  
the "China Mail" are:—

The sale of tickets, including the  
re-sale of tickets returned by pur-  
chasers who could not use them;  
realised \$1,975. This sum includes  
the price paid by the Hon. Sir  
Shou-son Chow and Mr. Kwok Siu-  
lau for the boxes (\$200).

A small number of \$2 and \$1  
tickets were not sold.

"Kewpies" were sold to the value  
of \$420.30, which covered all the  
expenses, thanks to the kindness  
of the City Hall authorities, and to the  
generosity of Messrs. Lane, Craw-  
ford Ltd., who provided the refresh-  
ments for the performers without  
charge, and to the Anderson Music  
Co., who gave free service, charg-  
ing only for instruments used and  
wages paid to ticket collectors.

**Ladies' Committee.**

Advertisements realised \$430 for  
which thanks are rendered to the  
advertisers and to the "S. C. Morn-  
ing Post" for assistance with the  
programme.

Chocolates supplied by Nestles  
Milk Co. and offered for the con-  
venience of visitors realised a small  
profit of \$12.54.

Thanks are due to Professor  
Harry Ore, Miss Daisy O'Keefe, Mrs.  
Sanger, Mr. Darrow and the other  
friends who gave their services so  
readily and generously.

This effort grew out of the work  
of the ladies' committee in which  
Mrs. W. T. Southern and Mrs. H. T.  
Creasy took a leading part. The  
great financial success of the con-  
cert has been due to Mrs. Coxton  
To who sold most of the tickets and  
who also made all the arrange-  
ments about making up and selling  
the "Kewpies." Great thanks are  
presented to Mrs. To and her will-  
ing band of helpers.

## ITALIAN OPERA.

SEASON OPENS AT THEATRE  
ROYAL

"IL TROVATORE"

This is a familiar story, set to  
familiar music. Perhaps, of all the  
operas, "Il Trovatore" lends itself  
most to extravagance. Signor  
Carpi is to be congratulated upon  
having secured a company of  
artists well able to measure the re-  
quired moderation that these oppor-  
tunities for extravagant tragedy  
and pathos demand. It was a great  
success, the artists more than de-  
serving the generous applause of  
the enthusiastic audience.

Signor Carpi, as the young  
chief of mysterious birth, was  
superb. A possessor of a fine tenor  
voice, he is a great actor, treating  
each moment of tragedy in a man-  
ner worthy of the highest tradi-  
tions of grand opera.

**Leonora & Gypsy.**

Mlle. Gambino as Leonora, the  
noble lady of Aragon, was magni-  
ficent throughout her long and  
strenuous role. In the death scene,  
when she poisons herself rather  
than marry the Count, she gave a  
great performance.

As the Gypsy, Mlle. Ciampaglia,  
the contralto, was heard to great  
advantage. Her scene in the pri-  
son cell was a masterpiece!

These, of course, are the out-  
standing parts of the opera, but the  
supporting company, in their  
several parts, were equally good,  
each artist rendering with pre-  
cision what was required.

It is needless to predict that this  
company will meet with great  
success in Hong Kong. Elaborately  
mounted and dressed, it is alto-  
gether a brilliant performance.

**Orchestra & Chorus.**

A full orchestra rendered the  
score to perfection. Signor Can-  
toni is a master musician, one might  
say a superb conductor, having his  
orchestra and the company under  
perfect control.

Finally, a word of praise for  
the chorus. They were heard to  
great advantage in the opening  
chorus, the "Anvil Song" and the  
"Miserere" outside the monastery.

The Company's repertoire is an  
extensive one, and it may be said  
without fear of contradiction that  
if the remainder of the operas are  
rendered as brilliantly as was last  
night's tragedy, Hong Kong music-  
lovers are to receive something for  
which they have waited long.

—H.

"The greatest barometer of  
civilisation is the ability of people  
to co-operate."—Roger W. Babson.

"We are in the great age of tran-  
sition from the drudgery of life to  
the enjoyment of life."—Henry  
Ford.



## IN A DILEMMA.

MINERS RETURNING IN THOUSANDS.  
BUT REJECT PROPOSALS.

London, Oct. 6.  
An anomalous position has been created in the coal fields, where the miners are returning to work in thousands daily, whilst the districts generally are overwhelmingly rejecting the Government's plan for district settlements and a National Arbitration Tribunal.

This is explained by the fact that only in Lancashire has there been a ballot vote and there the men who have returned to work are excluded.

The decisions of other districts were reached at delegate conferences or by a show of hands at Lodge meetings, some of which were only poorly attended.

Problem for Executive.

The Miners' Executive at their meeting in London to-day, are faced with the difficult task of deciding whether to advise the miners' delegate conference to-morrow to continue the struggle or to advise the districts to make the best terms possible without any calling off of the stoppage nationally by the Federation.

The position of the miners' leaders is further embarrassed by the fact that whilst the drift back of the miners threatens the existence of the Federation in South Wales, the miners are demanding the adoption of a militant policy.

Government's Last Word.

London, Oct. 6.

On the eve of the miners' national delegate conference Mr. Stanley Baldwin, Prime Minister, has sent a letter to Mr. A. J. Cook stating that the Government's proposals of September 24 regarding a National Arbitration Tribunal must either be accepted or refused by the conference. If they are accepted the Government will introduce the necessary legislation at the earliest possible moment. If they are rejected the offer, "which has obviously failed in its primary purpose, must be withdrawn."

Rejection Foreshadowed.

Rugby, October 6.

The latest reports from the mining districts afford further indication of the likelihood that the Government's offer of a National Arbitration Tribunal to set up after the resumption of work on district settlements will be rejected at to-morrow's meeting of the National Delegate Conference. If this negative result is reached the newspapers assume that it will be tantamount to the abandonment of any attempt at a national settlement, as there is no other proposal before the parties to this dispute.

The drift back to work on terms offered by the mine owners, on a basis of a longer working day, continues and to-day it was authoritatively reported that over 133,000 are now employed at producing coal. This figure does not take into account the safety men in the under pits or those engaged on various other duties at the mines. To-day's increase exceeded 7,000.—British Wireless Service.

## RUBBER MARKET.

LATEST QUOTATIONS FROM SINGAPORE.

SEVERAL DIVIDENDS.

(By courtesy of Messrs. Carrell Bros.)  
Singapore, Oct. 7.  
The price of Rubber is now 7 1/2 per lb.  
The following dividends have been announced:  
Bukit Jelutong—9% final, making 14% for the year.  
Mandai Tekong—10% final, making 15% for the year.  
Kuala Sawah—4% interim.  
Pustin Rubber & Tin, Ltd.—final 2 1/2% for 1925/6; bonus 5% for 1925-6; interim 2 1/2% 1926/7.  
Takuapa Valley Tin Dredging N.L.—1% dividend.  
The following are the latest prices:

	Straits.
Allenbys	\$ 1375
Changkat Serdangs	1075
Genalees	295
Jerams	1.00
Jimahs	2.80
Kedahs	4.75
Lunas	4.30
Malaka Pindas	3.05
Malakoffs	5.20
New Serendangs	5.30
Pajams	15.00
Sandycrofts	3.20

## BYNG BACK.

Rugby, October 6.  
Lord Byng returned to Britain to-day on the completion of his five years' service as Governor-General of Canada.—British Wireless Service.

## THE WEATHER.

OFFICIAL FORECAST: FINE LATER.

ABOUT THE TYPHOON.

Till noon to-morrow the official forecast for the weather is:—Strong E. winds; rain at first, fine later.

For the Formosa Channel it is:—N.E. gale.

Various warnings circulated about the typhoon are:—

4.45 p.m. yesterday—within 120 miles of Lat. 16 N., Long. 128 E., moving W.N.W.

10.35 a.m. to-day—within 60 miles of Lat. 16 N., Long. 125 E., moving W.N.W.

Manila, 9.45 a.m. to-day—Lat. 17 N., Long. 126 E., moving W.N.W.

Shanghai, 10.25 a.m. to-day—severe typhoon within 120 miles of Lat. 17 N., Long. 127 E., moving W.N.W.

At 10.47 a.m. to-day the Observatory reported:—The position of the Guam typhoon is uncertain. The other is about 200 miles E.N.E. of Manila moving W.N.W. The present probability is that it will pass near Hainan on Sunday morning.

Pressure has increased considerably from Tokyo to Hakkaido and slightly from Chefoo to Formosa and Hong Kong. It has decreased slightly over Luzon.

Meteorological observations at 6 a.m. to-day (for Hong Kong):—barometer 29.82; temperature 73; humidity 82; wind E. force 5; weather overcast.

## NEW GREAT HOTEL.

CHANGES IN THE STRAND.

An important change is fore-shadowed on the north side of the Strand, concurrently with the transformation which is taking place on the south side. The Strand Palace Hotel is to be rebuilt and enlarged. It is the aim of the possessing company, Strand Hotel Ltd., to erect on the site not only one of the biggest, but also one of the most handsome hotels in London, and for this purpose they are negotiating for the acquisition of the leases of practically all the property on either side of the present hotel entrance as far as Burleigh Street on the east and Exeter Street on the west—giving a frontage to the Strand of about 660ft. Major M. I. Gluckstein, the chairman of the company, which also owns the Regent Palace Hotel, has told the shareholders of the project, but he has explained that it will not be possible to begin work for some time. It is hoped to start the development of the additional site on the expiry of the existing leases in 1928.

The hotel, a representative of "The Daily Telegraph" was informed, will be double its present size, and will contain over 900 bedrooms. Under the scheme all the buildings between Barclays Bank, at the corner of Burleigh Street, with the exception of the entrance to the Strand Palace Hotel, will be pulled down. In this way nearly a dozen unimposing premises—shops with suitcases of offices above them—will disappear from this part of the Strand, to make way for the frontage of an hotel which already occupies much of the area behind them. As a much larger staff will be required, new staff premises to accommodate 200 persons have already been built in Exeter Street, with bridge and subway communication to the hotel.

The site of this important development has a special interest for Londoners, for on it stood, until nearly a quarter of a century ago, the famous Exeter Hall, the great rallying centre for Nonconformists, while near by were the offices of the "Globe" newspaper. St. Michael's Church used to stand at the corner of Burleigh Street until the parish was united with that of St. Paul's, Covent Garden.

## GERMANS KILLED BY FRENCH OFFICERS.

Berlin, September 23.—The German press demands a strict and impartial investigation of the slaying of two German civilians by French army officers at Germsheim yesterday. The shooting, in which two other Germans were wounded, followed a dispute over rights. The records of the two officers show that they were principals in a similar affair last July and that they were allowed to go unpunished.

The German press is not hysterical over the matter but it claims that there should be a fair and open trial and the editors point out that this incident emphasizes the need for a better Franco-German understanding. If the French will keep the letter of the Locarno pact they will withdraw at once all their troops from German soil, so the papers insist.

## CURFEW.

CHICAGO LAW TO STOP CRIME.

HOME BY 10 P.M.

New York.—Invoking a curfew law three years old but hitherto unenforced, Chicago police have ordered all young people under 16 off the streets between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. unless accompanied by parents.

The reason for this action is provided by repeated protests at the growing number of attacks on girls. The police say that this is because youths are allowed to roam the streets and frequent inns.

In future parents of unescorted children will be fined, and for a second offence the young people will be dealt with as juvenile delinquents.

The curfew applies to all minors. Under this, county police, acting by the sheriff's order, went along lonely roads disturbing youthful couples who had sought romantic solitudes and warned them that they must henceforth do their courting at home.

## ECHO OF OLD TRIAL.

HARRY THAW'S AUTOBIOGRAPHY.

New York, Sept. 1.

Harry Thaw, the central figure twenty years ago in one of America's most sensational murder trials, has written his autobiography, which is largely devoted to a bitter denunciation of an unnamed member of his legal counsel, whom he charges with betraying him to Stanford White's friends. Hence the name of the book, "The Traitor." Thaw's writing is not always coherent. Occasionally he uses words not in the dictionary, and in one part there is a blank space in the midst of the description of his trial, with the words "The censor cut this out."

Thaw speaks well of Evelyn Nesbit, his wife, whose tale of "White's enticement, caused him to kill the latter. She was a gallant, immovable, steadfast figure, foiling open enmity and secret treason by simple truth." He even has some kind words for the victim. "White had his good points," Thaw writes, "and apart from his one vice, was a man of many attractions." Thaw denies that he was insane, and says he killed White under "the unwritten law."

Fifty thousand copies of the book, have been printed at an expense to Thaw of \$5,000. The Pittsburgh millionaire is now a white-haired, elderly-looking man with a constant bodyguard who distributes large tips wherever he goes for the gratification of being recognised publicly.

## THE TELEGRAPHS.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE FOREIGN COMPANIES.

Shanghai, Sept. 30.

As in February last, the three foreign cable companies, the Great Northern, the Eastern Extension and the Commercial Pacific, have, owing to the Chinese Telegraph Administration having failed to settle their half-monthly accounts as arranged, again been reluctantly compelled, as from midnight 27th-28th instant, to refuse to accept from the Administration telegrams, other than Government telegrams, unless accompanied by cash.

So far the Administration has failed to comply with the companies' request for cash payments as regards telegrams from offices in Hupen and Hunan, which telegrams have been withheld by the Administration since the above-mentioned hour, but as regards telegrams from other places arrangements have since been made for daily cash settlements, and such telegrams have been forwarded as usual since the afternoon of the 29th instant.

In a statement issued by the three companies they express regret at any inconvenience this measure may cause and say they feel sure that the public will agree that they have no alternative but to insist upon cash payments.

## UP-COUNTRY CHANGES.

Chinkiang, Sept. 24.

Last night Mr. Pratt the British consul at this port left for Chungking, where he will have charge of the consulate for the time being. Several residents have recently returned from America, and amongst them are Rev. and Mrs. C. C. Marriott of the Southern Baptist Mission. Miss Kessler, has taken over the principalship of the Girls' High school, and Nurse Sayles has taken up her duties in the Women's hospital again.—"N. C. Daily News."

Through a pot of boiling congee being upset, a hawk was badly scalded in the face at No. 381, Queen's Road West, yesterday.

## BOYCOTT END.

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British goods, would be suspended October 10.

It is understood that the announcement means the complete suppression of pickets and the lifting of all bans against normal communication and trade between Canton and Hong Kong.

There is considerable diversity of opinion as to the reasons for this sudden change of attitude on the part of the Canton authorities and it is thought in many quarters to be a prelude to a movement for obtaining international recognition of the South China Government.

Mission Going Abroad.

A report is current that a mission has already been sent to foreign capitals with this end in view.

Another view is that the new British policy of regarding all pickets as pirates, to be hunted down when found operating on the waterways, has been a deciding factor in the case.

In this connection it is thought that recent official intimation that 14 British warships, of a type suitable for river patrol work, have been ordered to China, has impressed the Canton Government.

## JAPANESE AVIATION.

PROPOSED SERVICE BETWEEN SHANGHAI AND OSAKA.

Shanghai, Oct. 7.

Two of three Japanese hydroplanes belonging to the Nippon Aviation Company, which left Mokto this morning, arrived at 10.40 and 11.30.

The planes left Osaka at 4.10 on a trial flight prior to leaving for Shanghai.

It is proposed to establish an air service between Shanghai and Osaka.

## BELL-LESS HOTEL.

PHONE CALLS TO ROOMS FROM BEDROOM.

The new Park Lane Hotel at Hyde Park Corner, S. W., is expected to be opened at Christmas, and to be in full swing for the New Year festivities.

Each of the 225 bedrooms will have its own private bathroom attached, an innovation as far as London hotels are concerned. There will not be a single bell-push in the whole building; each bedroom will have its telephone by which guests will be able to call up the hotel staff or friends.

The breakfast room will be in the style of an old English country house, with a large open fireplace and a carpet specially woven to represent stone tiling. The smoke room will be an exact replica of the historical Reindeer Inn at Banbury, and the grill room will be made of old oak brought from the house of a famous financier. The ballroom will be one of the largest in London, running practically the entire length of one side of the building.

About 2,500,000 bricks were taken to build the hotel, which will have eight solid marble pillars supporting the Piccadilly frontage.

## SIR MAXWELL-LYTE.

RESIGNATION OF KEEPER OF HISTORIC DOCUMENTS.

After being in charge of the public records of Britain for more than 40 years, Sir Henry Maxwell-Lyte has resigned from the position of Deputy-Keeper of the Records. Sir Henry, who is more than 78, has been custodian of the countless State papers dating from 1100 to the present time, and including Domes Day Book, which are stored at the Public Record Office in Chancery Lane, E.C. Sir Henry feels that it is time that he should make way for a younger man. Despite his years he is quite active, and is at present on holiday in South Italy. He is an ardent photographer and has taken two cameras with him.

The Public Record Office has 28 miles of shelves, and it has been said that the documents run into hundreds of millions.

Sir Henry has done splendid work in improving the arrangement of the records. He has described how during the first week he was at the office he saw 108 sacks in a corridor, and ordered the contents to be sorted. In one of them was found a copy of the original Magna Charta.

The retiring Deputy-Keeper is a grandson of the Rev. H. P. Lyte, author of "Abide With Me."

## DEVOLUTION POLICY.

HIGH COMMISSIONER'S NEW STATEMENT.

CHIEF SECRETARYSHIP.

Kuala Lumpur, September 28.

H.E. the High Commissioner (Sir Laurence Guillemard) made a statement of very considerable importance to-day in response to a request by one of the unofficial members that he would give a fuller indication of the general lines of his decentralisation policy, and an assurance that that policy would be carried out without serious changes in the administrative structure of the Federation.

His Excellency dealt particularly with the controversy aroused by the statement in his first memoranda laid before the Federal Council to the effect that this policy would involve the "ultimate abolition of the Chief Secretaryship as at present constituted."

His Excellency said he was prepared to give an undertaking that no reduction in the powers or status of the Chief Secretary would be made during his tenure of office.

He stated that his reference to the Chief Secretaryship had been misunderstood in some quarters. It did not mean an active step of destruction, but a slow and gradual process of evolution which would eventually mean that the chief executive officer of the Federation would be an officer different from the present Chief Secretary, but not necessarily exercising diminished powers.

The unofficial members considered His Excellency's speech during the luncheon interval, and when Council resumed the Hon. Mr. Choo Kia-peng, speaking on behalf of the other unofficial members, said that they would reserve their comment upon the statement, and asked His Excellency to adjourn the debate on the financial devolution report until the Budget meeting at the end of this year.

His Excellency acceded to this request, and the debate was accordingly adjourned.

## Shadows Before.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE MAIL.

Entertainments.

October 7—Queen's Theatre: Viola Dana in "40 Winks."

October 7—World Theatre: Richard Barthelmess in "The Bright Shawl."

October 7—Star Theatre: "Scars of Jealousy" 5.30 to 8.40 p.m.

October 7—The Globe Trotters at the Star Theatre, Kowloon, 9.15.

October 7—Theatre Royal: A. Carpi's Italian Grand Opera "La Traviata," 9.15 p.m.

October 10—Stage performance at the Tai Yat Theatre, Yaumati, by students of Sacred Heart English School, 10 a.m.

October 21—Grand Concert under the auspices of the Navy League.

Sports.

October 7-9—Annual aquatic sports of the Victoria Recreation Club 5.30 p.m.

October 9—Fourth race meeting of the Hong Kong Jockey Club at Happy Valley.

October 30—Fanning Hunt Races, Kwanti Race Course, Fanning.

November 3—Sixth bi-annual annual race for the "Trevesa Trophy," from Channel Rocks, 4 p.m.

Auctions.

October 9—At Messrs. Lammert Bros', Sales Room, Duddell Street, sundry household furniture, 11 a.m.

October 12—At Messrs. Lammert Bros', Sales Room, household furniture, etc., 2.30 p.m.

Meetings.

October 15—Annual meeting of H.K. Cricket Club, in the Pavilion, 5.30 p.m.

November 6—Third annual meeting of the H.K. Realty & Trust Co., Ltd., at Exchange Building, 11.30 a.m.

November 6—Twenty-third annual meeting of shareholders of the Grand Hotel des Wagons-Lits, Ltd., Exchange Building (2nd floor), Des Vaux Road, noon.

Miscellaneous.

October 9—Sale of work in St. Stephen's Girls' College, in aid of M.C.L. and hospitals.

October 14—Farwell "Trooping of the Colour," Murray Parade Ground, 4.30 p.m., in connection with departure of E/Surrey Rgt. from Hong Kong.

November 6—Annual M.C.L. Fete, organised by H. K. W. G. in the grounds of Government House, from 2.30 p.m.

While working cargo at the O.S.K. wharf on Tuesday, a coolie was seriously injured through a case falling on him. He died in Kwong Wah Hospital and his body has been taken to the mortuary.



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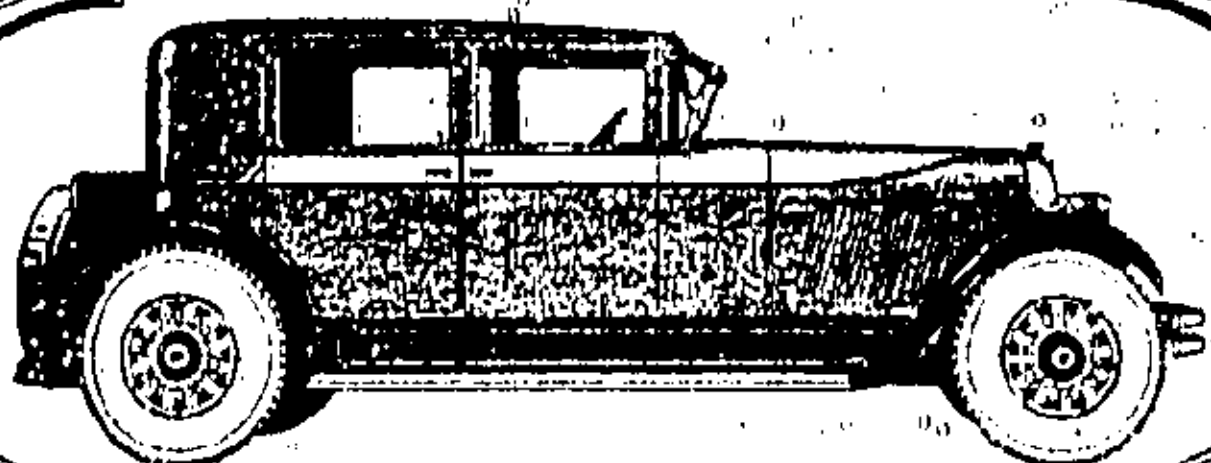
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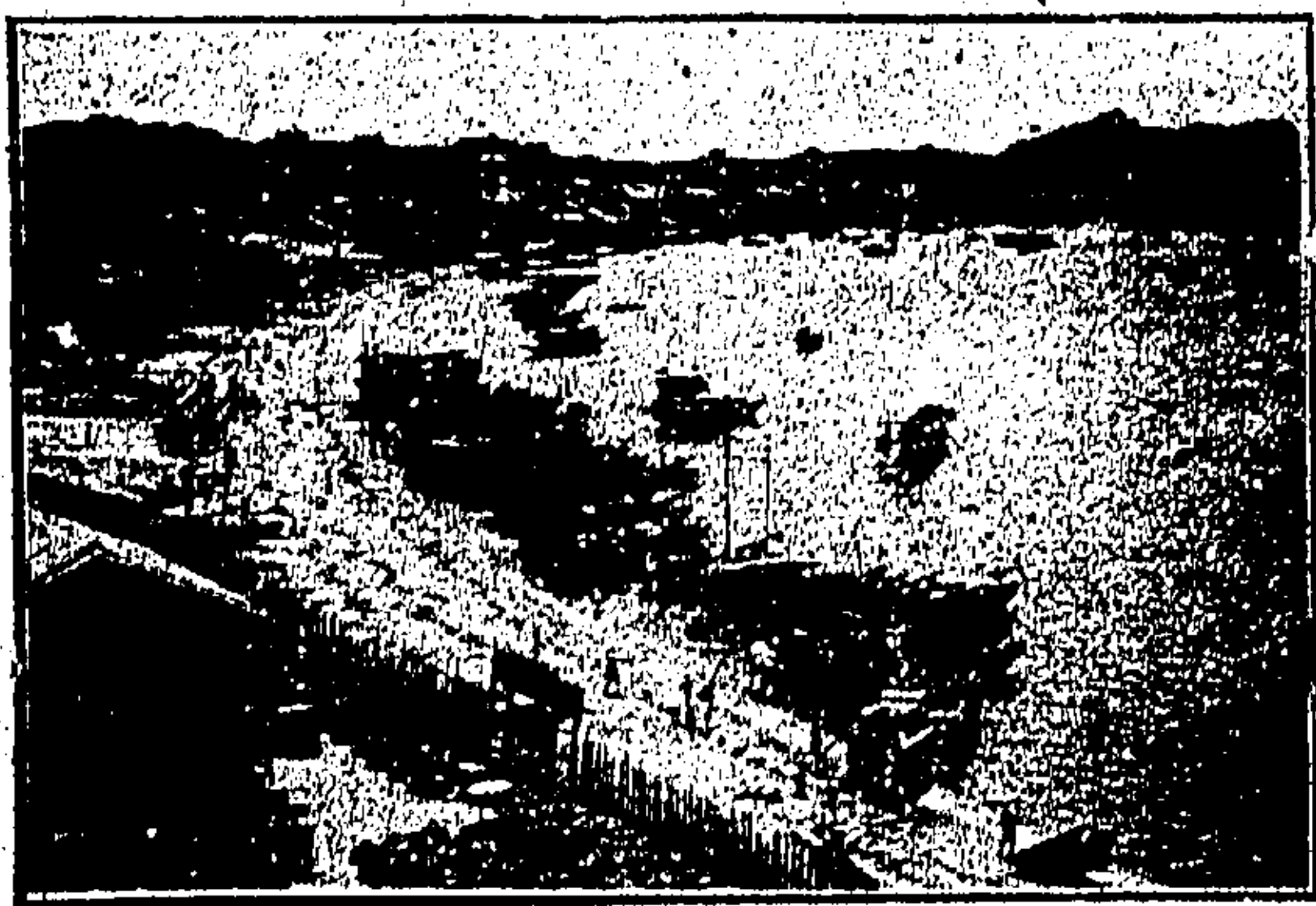
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The Municipal Council of Batavia has considered a big scheme for the improvement of the lighting and sanitation of the town. The plan includes the filling in of the Molenvliet "kali," better street lighting, and the erection of wash-houses for laundrymen. At present all Batavia wash clothes in the "kali."

Osaka, September 29.—A collision between a submarine and a schooner, in which the former knocked her head against the latter from under, occurred yesterday afternoon near Kure. The submarine ("Ro-18") was slightly damaged, but the schooner, loaded with copper ore, was seriously damaged and sunk. The crew was rescued.

Peking, September 28.—The Telephone Administration, faced with numerous applications for the installation of telephones, has sent out a general letter to all telephone users in arrears with their bills that unless complete payment of old bills is made at once the instruments will be removed. It is stated that great numbers of telephone subscribers have failed to pay their bills for months past.

Ottawa.—Owing to a shortage of 20,000 harvest hands in Western Canada wages have been increased from 14s. to 21s. a day, all found. An influx of harvesters from the United States is hoped for and extra trains are being run from all Canada east of the Great Lakes in the hope of gathering last-minute crews. Emergency calls from the west, especially from Saskatchewan and Alberta, are reaching the Government.

Alcoholic delights have a strong appeal for the natives of Raratonga, the principal island of the Cook group, according to a description of South Sea Island drunkenness by Mr. Robert Keable, the author. There are certainly many stories of the strength and potency of the home-brewed intoxicants most favoured by the islanders, and it is said that the drink is usually made from the roots of a certain tropical plant. After partaking too freely of this native "fire water" one night, a certain Scotsman returned to his shipmates and in reply to their questions as to the quality of the liquor, replied: "Man, it's enough to make a rabbit sit up and spit in the face of a bulldog!"

Lighting-up time to-day is at 6.06 p.m.

The Colony had a clean bill of health on Wednesday when no case of notifiable disease was reported.

We are informed by Messrs. Chellaram & Co. that their grand Autumn Sale will close on Saturday, the 9th instant.

Adelaide.—The South Australian Government has granted half an acre of the grounds of Government House, with a frontage of 105 feet on the north terrace, for a war memorial which is to cost £25,000. Competition for the design is restricted to South Australians who are British. The Returned Soldiers' Association are taking an enthusiastic interest in the project.

By order of the Soviet Government, a Russian medical Corps, consisting of a number of doctors, chemists and 16 nurses, left Moscow for Urga on September 21. Their object is stated to comprise the study of health conditions in Mongolia, as well as the furnishing of medical treatment to the Mongolian people, and their headquarters will be established in the western suburbs of Urga. The Medical Corps took with it a large quantity of medicines and surgical instruments.

Negotiations are being carried on between the Soerabaya postal authorities and the manager of Messrs. Whiteaway, Laidlaw and Co.'s Soerabaya branch with a view of establishing an auxiliary post-office on the branch premises. These negotiations have so far been unsuccessful but the manager of Whiteaways has cabled to his head office in London for further advice.

London, September 22.—A sensation has been caused by the London Stock Exchange posting up an official notice prohibiting its members from taking out bookmakers' licences or from using the Stock Exchange or members' office as betting premises. The prohibition applies to clerks also. There are at present many bookmaker members of the Stock Exchange and the Committee has so far winked at the practice, but, as all bookmakers must now be registered, the Committee has stepped in to point out that the articles of association do not allow a bookmaker also to be a member of the Stock Exchange.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Passengers arriving by the s.s. "Scharnhoeck" from Europe included Mr. and Mrs. A. Potherill and Mr. G. Boedikeg.

Among the passengers arriving yesterday, by s.s. "President Jackson" was Miss E. Woods, daughter of the Governor of the Philippines, en route for Seattle.

Sir H. H. J. Gompertz, Chief Justice, F.M.S., and formerly Puisne Judge at Hong Kong, is expected to arrive in Kuala Lumpur to-day. He returned from home on the s.s. "Mantua."

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Francis Stewart Gurney, civil engineer, of Hampshire, Buildings, Rawdon, to Elizabeth Margaret Grey Hall, of Selkirk, Scotland.

It is reported that the Chinese Customs Administration proposes to send a score of members of the Chinese staff to Europe, America and Japan to study customs systems in those countries. Those who have been in the service for seven years will be qualified to go.

Superintendent T. I. Vaughan, of the Shanghai Municipal Police, has been appointed to the post of Chief Superintendent. This promotion follows the retirement from the force of Chief Superintendent Wilson, who left the force last Thursday after 42 years' service. Superintendent Vaughan is a very popular officer and for some time has been doing special work, often appearing in court as prosecutor for the Municipal Police.

Friends of Mr. Ralph A. Cooper will be interested to know that his mother-in-law, Mrs. A. T. Smith, was the leading speaker at the Liberal meeting at Portage-la-Prairie, Manitoba, on Sept. 4. The meeting was in support of Mr. Evan McPherson, Liberal candidate, who defeated the Hon. Arthur Meighen, former Premier of Canada. Mrs. Smith is an experienced public speaker, having been President of the Canadian Presbyterian Women's Society for some time. Both Mr. and Mrs. Cooper have been active workers for the Liberal party in Canada for many years.

Mr. A. J. Bell, A.C.A., has arrived in Tientsin from London to join the local staff of Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews, Chartered Accountants.

It is stated that Mrs. D. H. Morrison, widow of Mr. D. H. Morrison, of Gungong, Rapat estate, F.M.S., is likely to be appointed to the position in the Rubber Restriction Office vacated by Mrs. F. M. Campbell.

Mr. F. A. S. McClellan, who retired from the post of Treasurer, F.M.S., two years ago, has returned to London after spending the winter on the Continent and four months in Corsica. He is next going for a month to St. Malo.

The "Echo de Tientsin" records the first Annamite marriage in Tientsin which took place at the Grand Hotel, the parties being Nguyen Van Huong and Nguyen Thi Nghiem. The French Consul and Mme. Saussine were present, and a number of French guests. The bridegroom made a long speech, to which the Consul replied.

Mr. R. B. Osborne, D.S.O., M.C., relinquished his appointment as Publicity Officer at the Malay States Information Agency on August 31, and will shortly be leaving for Canada as Private Secretary to Lord Willingdon, the new Governor-General. It is not yet known who will succeed Mr. Osborne at the Agency, but it is rumoured that the vacancy will be filled by Mr. S. W. Bunker, who was Assistant Chemist in the Agricultural Department at Kuala Lumpur a few years ago.

The death took place in a nursing home at Ruthin, North Wales, of Dr. John George Adams, Vice-Chancellor of Liverpool University, a pathologist with a world-wide reputation. Born at Manchester 64 years ago, he took his M.D. when he was 28, and the following year was elected a Fellow of Jesus College, Cambridge. He held many professional appointments at home and in Canada, and from 1892 to 1919 was Professor of Pathology and Bacteriology at McGill University, Montreal.

Apeta reports that there has been considerable activity in Java in an illicit trade in pre-war German bank notes, particularly the brown 1,000-mark notes. The chief centre appears to be at Singapore, and the victims are generally native Hadjis travelling via Singapore to the Dutch East Indies.

Peking, September 27.—According to reports published in the "Shih Chieh Jih Pao," a large unit of Cantonese troops is now beginning a campaign against Anhui Province from south-east Hupeh, with Anking as the objective, for the purpose of cutting in two Sun Chuan-fang's forces. Their immediate objectives are Yingshan, Taihu and Sosung.

Johannesburg.—The brothers Ratshosa, Chiefs of the Bamangwato tribe in Bechuanaland, are appealing against the sentence of ten years' hard labour passed on them for an attempt to murder the regent of the tribe, Tshkedi, on Easter Monday. The appeal is being heard at Mafeking. The appellants' counsel addressed the court for 24 hours, a record speech for South Africa.

A "Daily Mail" reporter who set out to find a tall policeman had only a few hundred yards to go before hearing of Police-Constable Nicholas, of the City of London force, who is the tallest policeman in England. He is 6ft. 3in. in his socks. A Manchester rival is a mere 6ft. 6in. In addition to Constable Nicholas, the City of London police claim to have several taller men than the Manchester giant in their ranks. The Metropolitan Police say that they can produce a number of police officers more than 6ft. 7in. The City Police are generally regarded as the tallest in the world.

Peking, September 30.—The resuscitation of the old Peiyang military party is foreshadowed in a telegram from Chengchow, published in the "Yi Shih Pao" this morning, which states that Marshal Wu Pei-fu, in a speech before the Commanders, advocated the reunion of the adherents of the party and suggested that ex-President Tsao Kun should visit the various provinces for the furtherance of the proposed reunion. The telegram states that Marshal Tsao Kun will shortly visit Anhui and Chekiang in order to interview Marshal Sun Chuan-fang, General Lu Hsiang-ting and other influential persons.

Peking, September 29.—The Chinese papers assert that ex-President Tsao Kun has decided to spend the rest of his days at Shanghai and that he has already left Paoingfu for Chengchow in order to see Marshal Wu Pei-fu en route.

Lieutenant T. Kitaura, Assistant Naval Attaché to the Japanese Legation in Peking has been ordered to Canton. He is to be accompanied by Mr. T. Intouye, who has been appointed Vice-Consul at Canton. They will leave shortly for their posts.

Shanghai, September 29.—The suit for divorce brought by Mrs. Dorothy Gould, against her husband, Randall Chase Gould, on grounds of cruelty, was further adjourned by Judge Milton D. Purdy in the United States Court for China this morning.

Vevey (Switzerland).—General Bruce, leader of the Mount Everest expedition, has arrived at Kandersteg, which will be his headquarters for making some high mountain ascents in the Oberland. General Bruce recently stated that the attempt to conquer Everest would not be renewed for some time, as the Dalai Lama, the ruler of Tibet, is so incensed over the recent visit of a number of Tibetans to England that he has refused all permission to foreigners to enter the country.

London, September 28.—The entire British press is aroused and embittered over the speech of Dr. Chu Chao-hsin, China's delegate to the League of Nations in which he made scathing criticism of Britain's policy in the Far East. The "Daily Mail" says that the situation is serious enough at present without Dr. Chu's meddling. It takes the stand that the Chu speech was entirely out of place and that the delegate grossly misstated facts. Dr. Chu is China's Charge d'Affaires at the Court of St. James and this fact makes the anger of the press more intense. The "Daily Telegraph" says that the speech was such an affront to Great Britain that it is a question whether Britain should longer retain a seat in the council in which China's delegate has just spoken.

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In convenient size and ready for the mails on Saturday, this week's edition has several features worthy of notice.

All the subsequent typhoon reports from last Thursday are included; completing a terrible tale of havoc and loss of life.

The latest piracy is described.

The "China Mail" has made it a practice of adding footnotes and explanations to all articles that present difficulties to non-Chinese. Such are faithfully reproduced in the "Overland." If you are stumped for an answer this edition will help you out, either as news for folks at home or as a handy reference.

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Other items are the special "end of boycott" cartoons; the set of photos of all Canton's celebrities; local weddings; correspondence, &c.

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## SPORTS SECTION

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## CHALLENGE BY NAVAL BOXER.

## H.K.B.A. PLEASE NOTE.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")  
Sir—As I now know definitely that Stoker George ("General") Booth will be remaining out here, I ask for the courtesy of your drawing attention to his being a first-class man who will be ready to meet any one in the Colony at 160 lbs.

George beat Attie White (U. S. Fleet champion) in Shanghai and the "China Press" voted the bout to the best of an evening's most excellent programme. Also Booth is staying on the China Station and taking his discharge out here. I hope he will be in Hong Kong. May he also win the Naval championship next year.

He has a pupil in Stoker Saunders of H.M.S. "Hollyhook" who won two fights by the K. O. in Shanghai. Saunders would very much appreciate a six-round fight under the H.K.B.A.

Yours, etc.,  
A.M.

Hong Kong, Oct. 6.

## INTERPORT CRICKET.

## TEAMS FOR FIRST TRIAL MATCH.

## WEBSTER NOT COMING.

The "China Mail" learned yesterday evening that Mr. R. E. A. Webster, the interport cricketer, is not returning to Hong Kong (as expected in a few weeks) as he has accepted an appointment in South Africa.

During his stay in the Colony of a few years (with Messrs. Hastings, Demys & Bowley), he won a reputation as a batsman who only came off on the big occasions.

In his first interport match here (against Shanghai) he ended the "enemy's" innings by taking wickets with each of the only two balls he sent down.

In 1924 he opened Hong Kong's innings with the Rev. E. K. Quirk who has also left us.

An expert opinion of Webster is that if it had not been for his war wounds he would have been good enough for the best cricket. His bowling deteriorated in recent seasons but he was also useful in the field.

If he had been here now there would have been little doubt as to his inclusion in the Hong Kong team to meet Shanghai here in November.

A trial match has been fixed for Saturday and will be continued on Monday (bank holiday). A team of XI is meeting XIII, as follows:—

A. W. Hayward (captain),  
A. C. I. Bowker,  
B. D. Evans,  
J. D. Humphreys,  
S. A. Ismail,  
R. E. H. Oliver,  
A. W. Ramsay,  
A. A. Rumjahn,  
H. Standage,  
C. D. Wales,  
Capt. R. A. Warters.

E. J. R. Mitchell (captain),  
Capt. C. A. Bridgland,  
Capt. N. C. D. Brownjohn,  
W. Brace,  
Captain Evers,  
F. C. Goodwin,  
S. Jex,  
G. P. Lammert,  
Major Lightfoot,  
J. C. Lylal,  
H. V. Parker,  
J. A. Summers,  
G. R. Vallack.

(Start Saturday at 2 p.m. and Monday at 11 a.m.)  
Of the "probables" who come to mind and are not included are:—  
R. Hancock, E. B. Reed, G. R. Sayer, and T. E. Pearce (who is coming back from leave).

For Saturday's soccer match against China Athletic "A," Hong Kong F.C. Reserves (Club ground, 3 p.m.) will be represented by:—  
Slipper; Hill (captain); Purves; Smith; Ralston; Punccheon; Bell; R. B. Hanson; Johnson; W. J. King; W. J. Ross. Reserves:—  
Howell, Brown.

Under Northern Union rugby rules the All Blacks beat Rochdale by 11 points to 9.

## HOME SOCCER.

## GOALS IN CHARITY SHIELD.

## LEAGUE RESULTS.

London, Oct. 6.  
Soccer matches played to-day (home team given first except where stated) resulted:—  
Charity Shield.  
Amateurs 6, Professionals 3 (at Manchester).

## ENGLISH LEAGUE.

Division I.  
Sunderland 7, Burnley 1.  
Div. III (South).  
Brighton 2, Norwich 2.  
—Reuter.

## ENGLISH LEAGUE.

## Division I.

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Sunderland	10	6	2	2	22	11	14
Birmingham	9	5	2	2	14	10	11
Leicester	9	4	4	1	10	22	12
Bolton	8	5	1	2	20	14	11
Huddersfield	9	3	5	1	18	14	11
Bury	10	3	5	2	22	19	10
Burnley	9	4	3	2	22	22	11
Tottenham	9	3	4	2	21	15	10
Newcastle	9	3	4	2	19	16	10
Leeds U.	9	4	2	3	17	15	10
Sheffield U.	9	4	2	3	14	14	10
Arsenal	9	3	4	2	15	10	10
Manch. U.	8	3	3	2	16	16	9
Blackburn	9	3	3	3	16	17	9
Wednesday	10	2	4	4	18	23	8
Derby	8	3	1	4	11	10	7
Liverpool	8	3	1	4	15	14	7
West Ham	8	2	2	4	13	15	6
West Brom.	9	2	2	5	13	22	6
Cardiff	9	1	3	5	13	20	5
Everton	11	1	3	7	14	27	5
Aston Villa	9	1	2	6	12	27	4

## Div. III (South).

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Bristol C.	9	6	2	1	25	10	14
Swindon	9	6	2	1	10	8	14
Windsor	9	6	2	1	25	10	14
Luton	8	6	1	1	14	8	13
Millwall	10	5	2	3	23	13	12
Brentford	9	5	2	2	21	13	12
Brighton	8	4	3	1	20	11	11
Crystal P.	9	4	3	2	14	11	11
Plymouth	9	4	2	3	18	12	10
Gillingham	9	4	2	3	16	12	10
Southend	9	4	2	3	16	15	10
Exeter	8	2	4	2	15	14	8
South	9	3	2	4	18	10	8
Norwich	9	2	3	4	19	22	7
Norwich	10	3	1	6	17	21	7
Watford	9	3	1	5	17	16	7
Q. P. R.	9	2	2	5	14	19	6
Bristol R.	9	2	2	5	10	17	6
Coventry	9	2	1	6	8	17	5
Merthyr	10	2	1	7	9	20	5
Charlton	8	2	0	6	10	14	4
Aberdare	10	2	0	8	9	26	4

## HONG KONG 1 UP.

## INTERPORT GOLF AT SHANGHAI.

## FIRST DAY'S PLAY.

Shanghai, October 6.  
Hong Kong is 1 up (2 matches to 1) on Shanghai as a result of the first day's play (two-ball foursomes) of the interport golf match.

A. H. Ferguson and I. W. Shewan (Hong Kong) beat Budl and Binko of Shanghai by one hole.

T. D. E. Pendered and Capt. E. W. Morris (Hong Kong) lost to Stewart and Malcolm by five and four.

L. R. Andrewes and N. L. Smith (Hong Kong) beat Cumming and Pettit by one hole.  
The matches were generally exciting, especially the first. Budl missed several short putts for Shanghai, and Ferguson for Hong Kong held several long ones. Shewan's driving was a notable feature of the contest. The Shanghai pair were one down at lunch time. They afterwards recovered, and then lost their position once more.—Reuter.

(Six singles will be played to-day when the match concludes.)

## University 1st XI.

The following will represent the University 1st XI in a (home) friendly cricket match against the Kowloon C.C. at 2 p.m. on Saturday:—  
A. A. Rumjahn (Capt.), C. W. Lam, Dr. D. K. Samy, H. N. Balfour, F. H. J. Traves, W. M. Gittins, D. Laing, S. Hashima, W. Hong Sing, E. Zimmermann, S. E. Gittins.

## THE HALF MILE.

## MAY WINS COLONY CHAMPIONSHIP.

## YESTERDAY'S SWIMMING.

There were seven competitors in the half mile swimming championship of the Colony, held at the V.R.C. yesterday afternoon and resulting in a win for A. F. May with Cooke five lengths or so behind.

May held the lead practically throughout, Norris (the Royal Artillery) and Cooke being the only ones to challenge him seriously at any time. Of the four others, Brodie and Gittins finished strongly and Assumpean and Razavet retired after completing over half of the course.

The respective times were:  
1.—A. F. May, 13 mins. 17.3/5 secs.  
2.—C. J. Cooke, 13 mins. 31.2/3 secs.  
3.—E. A. Brodie, 14 mins. 30.3/5 secs.

Chinese Event.  
There were only three entries for the half mile event confined to Chinese but it provided an exciting finish. Wong Man-noon winning in 14 mins. 31.3/5 secs. with Tan Chiu-hin 4/5 of a second behind. The other competitor was Leung Shu-man.

This afternoon's programme is as follows.—320 yards, "breast" stroke, confined to Chinese; 440 yards, free style, open championship of the Colony; throwing the polo ball, open championship of the Colony.

The races will commence at 5.30 p.m.

## "WORLD" BASEBALL.

## Babe Ruth Gets 3 Home Runs for Victory.

New York, October 6.  
At St. Louis, the New York Yankees won the fourth game of the world series, baseball championship. They defeated the Cardinals by 10 runs to 5.  
Babe Ruth made three home runs for the winners.—Reuter's American Service.

## FANLING HUNT.

## PROGRAMME FOR NEXT STEEPCHASE.

The following is the programme for the Fanling Hunt steepchase meeting at Kwai on October 30:  
1.—Maiden Plate. 1½ miles. For China ponies that have started at Kwai Steepchases and have not won. Catch weight 160 lbs. Entrance fee \$5.  
2.—Open Heavyweight Steepchase. 1½ miles, for China ponies. Catch weight 165 lbs. Entrance fee \$5.  
3.—Autumn Handicap Steepchase. 1½ miles, for China ponies. Bonus of property of subscribers of the Fanling Hunt. Entrance fee \$5.  
4.—Open Lightweight Steepchase. 2 miles, for China ponies. Catch weight 150 lbs. Entrance fee \$5.  
5.—United Services Race. 1½ miles, open to Navy, Army, Royal Air Force and Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, for China Ponies. Catch weight 155 lbs. Winner of one Steepchase 7 lbs. penalty; of two or more 14 lbs. penalty. Entrance fee \$5.

## University 2nd XI.

The following will represent the University 2nd XI in a cricket match against Club de Recreo on Saturday, at 2.00 p.m. sharp at King's Park:—  
B. N. Sudan (Capt.), F. Hiptool, C. H. Yeoh, R. Chan Wah, I. Tajima, K. T. Lo, A. B. Suleman, A. Baker, A. A. Azziz, S. Kermani, H. T. M. Barmal.

## Hong Kong Electric Teams.

The following have been selected to play for the Hong Kong Electric Recreation Club against Craigengower on Saturday at 2.15 p.m.—  
S. J. Clarke, J. C. Dunbar, T. L. Foster, G. Murray, F. Northington, A. F. Paul, T. P. Saunderson, S. J. Stanesby, G. G. Thomson, J. C. Thomson, and J. R. Way (Capt.). Reserve: D. E. Western.

The team to play against the Royal Army Ordnance Corps on Monday, at 2.15, will be: S. J. Clarke, J. C. Dunbar, C. E. Gahagan, W. B. Muskett, F. Northington, T. P. Saunderson, S. J. Stanesby, G. G. Thomson, J. C. Thomson, G. Vickers, and J. R. Way (Capt.). Reserve: D. E. Western.

London, Sept. 21.  
The Council of the Law Society has decided to accept South Africa's invitation to send a ladies' team to South Africa during the coming winter.

## NEW HOTEL.

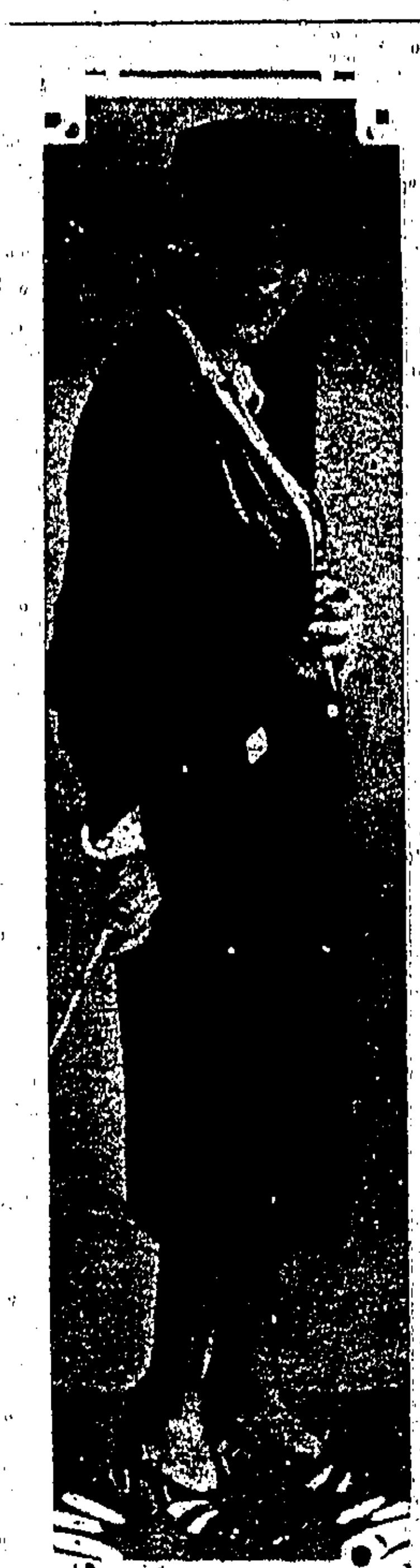
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## OPEN NEXT MONTH.

The Hotel Savoy, tentative arrangements for the foundation of which were reported in our columns some time ago, will, it is understood, be opened in the middle of next month in the premises at the Chater Road—Ice House Street corner recently vacated by Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd.

Temporarily, the main entrance will be in Ice House Street but later an imposing porch will be opened in Chater Road.

The new Hotel, which will be conducted by a private syndicate and managed by Messrs. A. and P. Leong Hingkee, who are at present operating the Hotel Metropole, Hong Kong, and the Boa Vista Hotel, at Macao, is to offer comprehensive hotel service, cater for receptions, parties, banquets, etc., and is to have on the third floor a winter garden, glass-domed and with special heating for the cold weather.



Louise Fazenda, film comedienne, used Noel M. Smith, director, for divorce.

## MONT BLANC OBSERVATORY.

Paris, Sept. 1.—An experiment, as useful as it is daring, is about to be made by Lieutenant Thoret, the French airman, who, months ago, flew over Mont Blanc on an aeroplane which had a motor of only 40 horse-power. Near the summit of the mountain is the Vallot Observatory, perhaps the most inaccessible institution of its kind in Europe, in which scientists are even more isolated during the winter than are lighthouse-keepers. Several times they have suffered severe hardship when snow and ice have made it impossible for victualing parties to reach them, but Lieutenant Thoret believes that he can obviate a recurrence of anything of the kind by dropping stores from an aeroplane. He is now at Geneva preparing for a flight during which he will pass directly over the observatory and drop 20 lb. of provisions attached to a parachute. Should he succeed, he will be able to assure the staff of the lonely observatory that they need no longer fear starvation even during the hardest winter.

Lieutenant Thoret has for some time made a careful study of the mountain and its neighbourhood, so as to make charts of suitable landing grounds which might be used by pilots in case of a breakdown. He hopes to make his attempt on Friday, and will start from Geneva and return to the same place after dropping his parcel at the observatory.

"There is no such animal as the 'average man'."—Frederick Hackenbush.

"Nations and periods that were marked by accumulating wealth were distinguished also by an effluence of art."—W.H. Durant.

## STOLEN CARGO?

## ALLEGED STRIKE PICKETS CHARGED.

## SEQUEL TO SEIZURE.

Alleged to have confiscated vegetables from a boat which was to have brought them from China territory to Hong Kong and then to have brought them to Hong Kong for sale, two men who were stated to be strike pickets were charged at the Central Magistracy yesterday with possession of stolen goods.

Mr. G. R. Haywood represented the complainants, the original shippers of the vegetables, Mr. D. McCallum the defendants, and Chief Detective Inspector Murphy prosecuted on behalf of the Police.

It was stated in the course of evidence that the boat and cargo belonging to the complainants was captured at San Hui, Po On district, by the strike pickets on the ground that the vegetables were being taken to Hong Kong in contravention of the boycott restrictions and that, considerable higher prices being obtained in Hong Kong, the pickets transferred the vegetables to another boat.

This boat, it is alleged, was found by the police to be discharging the identical cargo near the market.

Pickets Fire Shots.  
Evidence of the seizure of the cargo was given by one of the complainants who said that both of the defendants were among the pickets who came on board following firing by pickets ashore at the boat was anchored at the bank of the river. This was subsequent to the loading of the boat in the darkness of night—procedure necessitated by the activities of the pickets in the district.

Complainant detailed how he and his companion were able to escape from the captured boat and in answer to questions said that they had purchased the cargo for \$300 and hoped to sell it for \$600 in Hong Kong.

Another witness was the foki engaged by the two defendants in moving the cargo of vegetables. In reply to questions this witness said that he did not know if defendants were members of the Peasants' Volunteer Corps but he knew they frequented the headquarters. He also could not say whether or not this Corps worked in conjunction with the pickets.

Witness stated, in answer to questions by Mr. McCallum, that he had been detained by the police since they stopped the discharge of the cargo but no charge had been brought against him.

Inspector Murphy said that when the Court rose he would no longer be responsible for the witness who would be free to go as he liked.

The defendants were remanded, the case being adjourned until next Tuesday.

## COL. WILLIAMS.

## OFFICER GUILTY OF DRY LAW VIOLATION KILLED.

## CAR PLUNGES INTO SEA.

San Francisco, October 1.—Colonel Alexander Williams, who was recently convicted by court-martial of the charge of serving cocktails at a welcoming dinner to General Smedley Butler, was drowned today when his automobile plunged into the Bay. His body was recovered in 30 feet of water. It was stated that he had been in low spirits ever since his trial and conviction.

General Butler, now in command of the marine corps depot in San Diego, expressed grief when informed of the death of Colonel Williams. He said that he had always had the highest personal regard for Colonel Williams but that he had been forced by circumstances to uphold the law.

It is believed that Colonel Williams either lost control of the car or that his vision was obscured. Colonel Williams was in charge of recruiting for the marine corps in the western district at the time of his death.

Colonel Williams was court-martialled at San Diego on a charge of intoxication and found guilty last April. Colonel Williams had given a party at his quarters, a number of marine corps officers and their wives being present including Brigadier General Smedley D. Butler. Later in the evening the party visited the Coronado Hotel and it was while there General Butler claimed that Colonel Williams was under the influence of liquor. The court-martial trial caused a sensation throughout the country.—"United Press."

"Because women no longer demand silk that rustles, 1,000 tons of tin are saved per year."—H. Foster Bain.

## LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

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HONGKONG, OCTOBER 7, 1926, 10.30 a.m.

Names.	Hongkong Stock Exchange	Hongkong Sharebrokers' Association	Estate Brokers' Share & Real Estate Society
T.T. on London	117 1/4	117 1/4	2/11 1/2
T.T. on Shanghai	7 1/2	7 1/2	nom.
Bank of China	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
Chartered Bank	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
Mercantile Bank, A. & B.	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
P. & O. Bank	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
Bank of East Asia	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
Marine Insurance	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
Canton Insurance	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
China Underwriters	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
North China Insurance	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
Union Insurance	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
Yangtze Insurance	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
Fire Insurance	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
China Fire Insurance	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
H.K. Fire Insurance	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
Shipping	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
Douglases	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
Hongkong Steamboats	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
H.K. Tugs & Lighters	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
Indo-China (Pref.)	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
do. (Def.)	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
Shell Transports	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
Star Ferries	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
Water-boats	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
Refineries	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
China Sugars	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
Malayan Sugars	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
Mining	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
Benguets	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
Kailan Mining Ad.	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
Langkats (Combined)	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
do. (Single)	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
Shanghai Exploration	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
Shanghai Loan	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
Raubs	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
Tromoh Mines	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
Ural Caspians	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
R.K. & K. Wharves	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
H.K. & W. Docks	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
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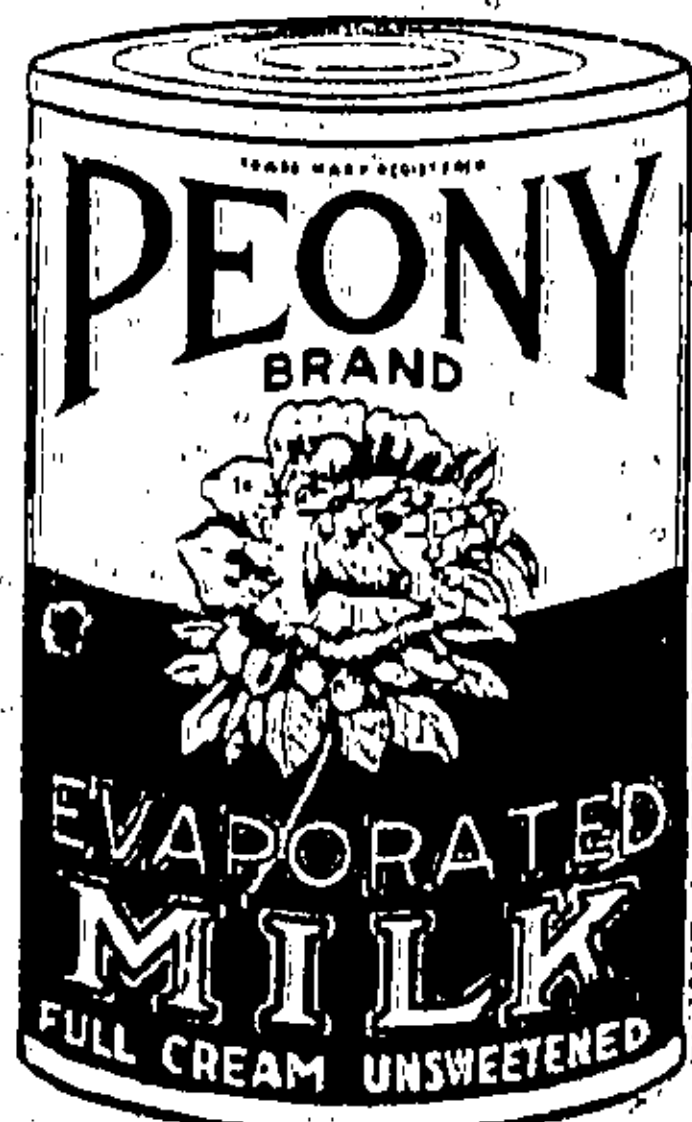
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John McLaughlin cried when she heard the last hope for her father was gone, and that she would never see him again. John J. McLaughlin was to be electrocuted as one of the three men in the noted Boston car barn slaying.



In an operation remarkable for its heroism, Dr. John Black, (left) of New York, opened his own arteries and transfused his own blood into the body of his patient, Francis Dalton (in bed), saving the patient's life. Dr. Grant Fisher (in rear) assisted.



Mrs. Henry Ederle, mother of the channel swimmer, heard the news of her daughter's success over a public phone near her home at Atlantic Highlands, New Jersey. Gertrude's sister, Helen, and brother, Henry, Jr., watched.



This is a typical scene in Mexico City during the days of religious strife. A policeman is searching a citizen for weapons.



Anna Murray, of Jamaica Plain (Mass.) is shown with a bronze statue of Laddie Boy, President Harding's dog. The statue was cast from 10,314 pennies contributed by newsboys.



President Coolidge, accompanied by his political adviser, Frank Stearns, after visiting Everett Saunders, Mr. Coolidge's secretary, who is ill.



Senator William Borah has started on a nationwide speaking tour, opposing the World Court and Prohibition.



Again the celebrated Pilgrimage Play of Los Angeles has come into national prominence, because William Faversham, noted actor, brought up the question of how the part of Christ should be interpreted, after his replacement in the role by Reginald Pole. Photo shows a group of Pilgrimage Play children on the now famous donkey ridden by "Christ" in the play which Mr. Faversham complained of as "making a bronco buster out of the character." The play is the American equivalent of Europe's Oberammergau Passion Play.

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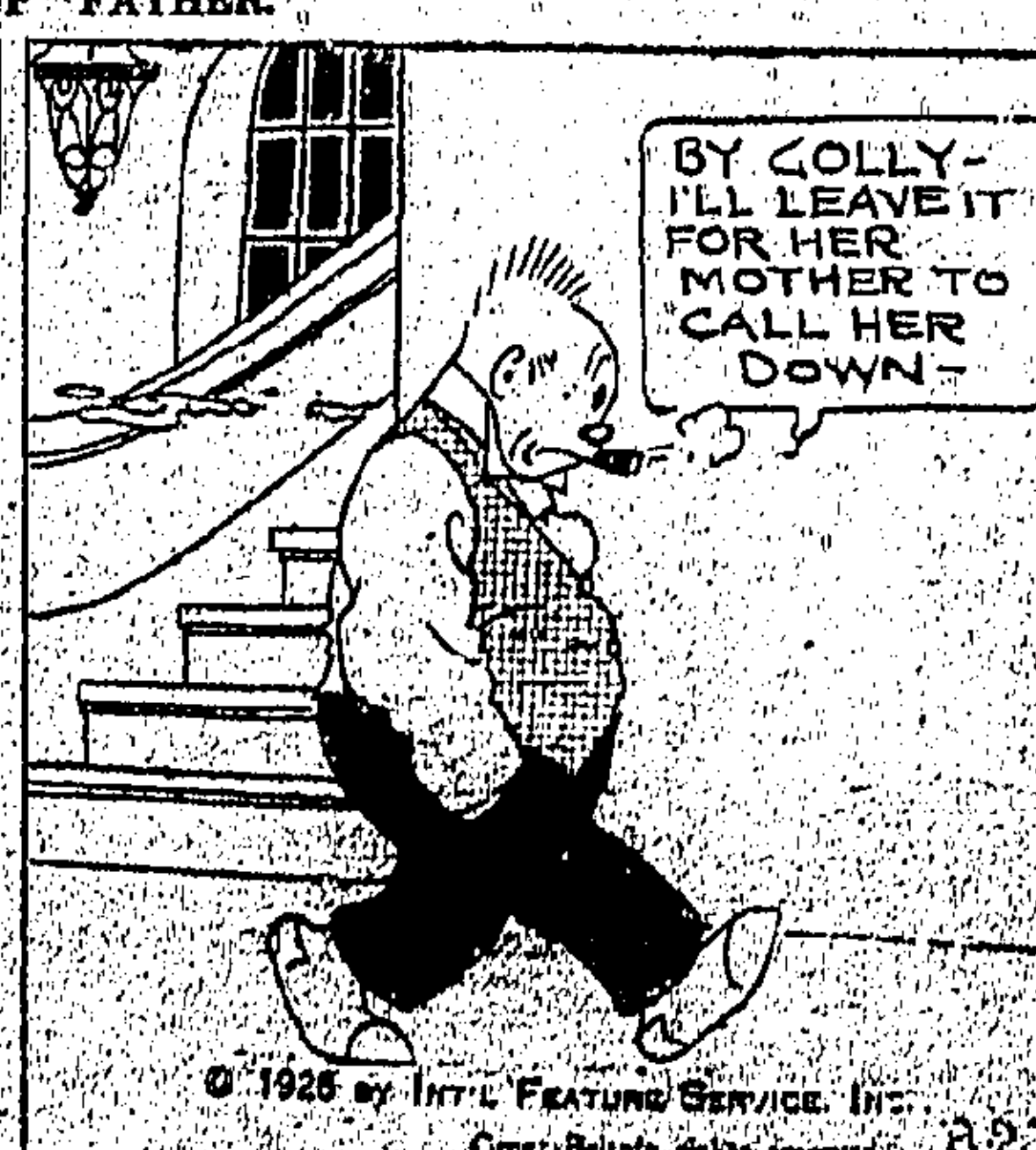


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### FORTITUDE.

#### A VIVID STORY OF THE SEA.

Eight bells had sounded, and the crew, placing their buckets of sugar (soda and water) in the scuppers, wiped their hands on the legs of their trousers and, satisfied with this toilet, slouched forward to their breakfast.

A wet swab, well aimed, slugged heavily against the bulwark, narrowly missing young Derreck's head. That was a signal for a general engagement amongst the apprentices—starboard watch versus port.

The chief officer, from his vantage-point on the poop, watched the battle covertly while busying himself with the gear round the mizzen-mast. He knew that discipline required him to stop the fracas, but a sneaking desire to see at least one direct hit registered, before interfering, induced him to assume ignorance.

Frank, the youngest, had mounted to the after-hatch, and from that elevation launched an effective salvo at the eldest apprentice. Little leisure was given him to enjoy the success of his shot, before a swab of the enemy caught him squarely on the cheek, and losing his balance, he dropped heavily to the deck.

The boy's fall was greeted with a shout of laughter, with which the deeper note of the mate blended.

Slowly Frank rose to his feet, his face white, his lips compressed. He was evidently taking the joke unsportingly, and it annoyed his berthmates.

"Goin' to cry, Frankie dear?" sneered the eldest. "I'll send for me to kiss the naughty tears away."

Frank favoured his tormentor with a look of wrath, but without a word, set off to the galley to bring out the breakfast, and fulfil the office of "Mary Ann" as the time-honoured duty of the youngest apprentice.

The morning was well advanced when the vigilant eye of the mate espied an "Irish Pennant" loose end of a rope hanging from a yard.

"Frank! Up aloft to the mizzen, gallant yard and make up that gasket," he called to the youth who was working in the waist.

To his surprise the boy obeyed with manifest reluctance. Frank was usually the brightest and most eviling of the boys.

Climbing slowly to the rail, Frank started to mount the ratlines in a manner exceedingly aggravating to the officer.

"Get a move on there, youngster!" he hailed. "That's the worst of heavy breakfasts—ham and eggs don't agree with you!"

The mate was pleased to be facetious; the boys had breakfasted on the customary "wet hash," despite the fact of the ship being in port.

Frank's pace was accelerated somewhat, though far from lively. Arriving at the futtock shrouds, Frank paused.

Here the climber has to ascend in a manner suggesting a fly traversing the inside of a steeply inclined roof.

The officer watched him, impatiently. "The boy's silky because I laughed when he fell off the hatch," he concluded; and his anger rose at the suggestion.

"Move yourself, you sulky young brat," he roared. "A clout with a wet swab is nothing to what I'll give you if you aren't over that top in one—two, two!"

The boy made an effort to mount the shrouds, failed, and slowly descended the rigging, casting piteous glances at the storming officer.

"It's no good, sir," Frank almost whimpered as he stepped on to the poop. "I can't get over the top; my side hurts too much!"

As he spoke, he pressed one



Margaret Jordan was named "Miss Kansas City" on winning a beauty contest there.

hand to his side, the other retaining a steady grasp on the shroud; his face, white and drawn, thoroughly alarmed the mate.

"Get below, my son," he ordered. "I'll put up the doctor's flag, and this doubts—reviving!"

"Heaven help you if you're playing the 'old soldier'!"

Frank mumbled something as he turned, and descending entered the half-deck.

At the sight of the letter "D" fluttering from the monkey gaff a lunchward-bound motor-lane altered her course and the doctor, with a sigh of resignation, once more donned his gloves to negotiate the ship's oscillating Jacob's ladder.

"Eating too much, I expect," he suggested, as the mate informed him of the youth of his patient and the seat of the pain.

"Not in this ship, they don't," the officer retorted bitterly. "Here's the doctor, Frank!"

The boy, who had been stretched out on the chest, laid his pipe aside and without a word prepared to do duty.

"He fell from the hatch this morning," resumed the officer, "perhaps that's got something to do with it."

"From the hatch to the deck, I suppose," commented the doctor, putting his thermometer away.

"Well, let's have a look." He bent over the patient. "When did he fall?" he asked at length.

"At breakfast-time."

"But your flag wasn't up when I went up harbour?"

"No," the mate assented. "He was working until eleven."

"Working, was he?" exclaimed the doctor. "Working until eleven with a couple of his ribs broken, he's got some ginger in him!"

I heard Frank won the D.S.C. while commanding a mine-sweeper during the war, and I'm quite sure he earned it.

K. MACLURE.

### DRUG PLANTS.

#### CURES FOR MOST DISEASES IN KEW GARDENS.

Kew Gardens has a most extensive collection in existence of plants used for the manufacture of medicines, either growing or in the form of dried specimens in the museums. In a walk through the museums a "Daily Mail" reporter saw reputed cures for most diseases.

There are crabs' eyes, known in Britain as "sequoyia" seeds, which are used for curing opacities of the eyes; fruits of "ecron," a specific for snake bites and stomach complaints; cocculus indicus, imported from India for the preparation of stimulants and the adulteration of beer; bullock's heart or custard apple, which cures dysentery and worms; and winter's bark, which is a medicine for scurvy.

One of the most important exhibits in the museum is cinchona, which originally came from Peru, but owing largely to the work of Kew Gardens is now grown extensively in India and Jamaica.

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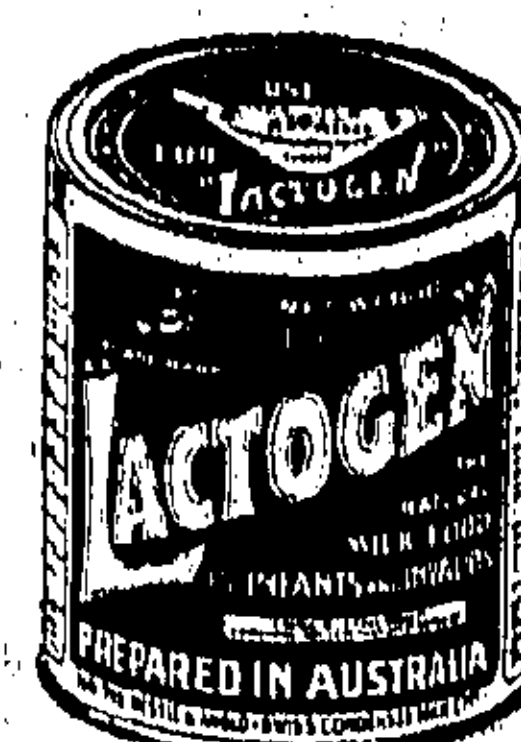


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Japan ..... Kitano Maru  
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9th Sept. .... Pyrrhus  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 11.  
Straits ..... Kamsang  
Manila ..... Empress of Asia  
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13.  
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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8.  
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Amoy ..... 8 p.m.  
Shanghai ..... Suiyang 8 p.m.  
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Amoy ..... Suiyang 9 a.m.  
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### SIR JOHN BUCKNILL.

DEATH REPORTED FROM ALLAHABAD.

FORMERLY IN HONG KONG.

Allahabad, Oct. 6.

The death has occurred of His Hon. Sir John Alexander Strachey Bucknill, Kt., (1916) K.C.; Puisne Judge of the Patna High Court since 1920.—Reuter.

#### Outline of Career.

Sir John Bucknill was born at Clifton, on September 14, 1873; and was married in 1901 to Alice, youngest daughter of Admiral Sir George Richards, K.C.E., F.R.S., there being two daughters.

He was educated at Charterhouse, Kettle College, Oxford, M.A. (Oxon), F.Z.S., M.B.O.U., and became a Barrister-at-law at the Inner Temple in 1896, later going on the Midland Circuit. He was appointed a Commissioner of Patents, Transvaal, in 1902; was a member of the Legislative Council, Transvaal, 1904; Chairman of Committees, Legislative Council, Transvaal, 1906; a Legal Adviser to Transvaal, 1907; Sole Commissioner to enquire into immorality amongst Chinese labourers in Transvaal, 1906.

In 1907 he became a member of the Legislative and Executive Councils of Cyprus; acted as Chief Secretary, Cyprus, 1908; King's Advocate of Cyprus, 1907-12. From 1912 to 1914 he was Attorney-General in Hong Kong, and from 1914 to 1920 he was Chief Justice, Straits Settlements. He was Chairman, Singapore Military Service Advisory Committee, 1916; President, Commission of Investigation into Administration of State of Trengganu, 1918; President, Straits Settlements, Kedah and Johore Military Service Tribunals, 1918; President, Malayan Public Services Salaries Commission, 1918-19; President Raffles Centenary Memorial Committee, 1920; President, Raffles Museum and Library Committee, 1920; and President, Children's Aid Society, Singapore, 1920.

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### EX-RULER'S CLAIMS.

PRUSSIAN GOVERNMENT'S COMPROMISE.

EX-KAISER'S LUCK IN.

Berlin, October 6.

The Prussian Government's new compromise to settle the Hohenzollern claim to estates proposes to pay the ex-Kaiser's family 15,000,000 marks in cash instead of 30,000,000 marks and allots to the ex-Kaiser 167,000 acres, including "Oels" Castle, in Silesia, the present residence of the ex-Crown Prince.

The ex-Kaiser must give up various castles, parks, and buildings in the vicinity of Berlin valued at 60,000,000 marks.

The Albrecht Line receives 40,000 acres and the Karl Line 47,000 acres.

The proposals will be submitted to the Prussian Diet.—Reuter.

### MALARIA EXPERT.

SIR RONALD ROSS TO VISIT MALAYA.

London, October 5.

Under the auspices of the Indian Tea Association, Sir Ronald Ross is going to India on October 29, aboard the "Rajputana," joining the "Malwa" at Gibraltar and travelling to Calcutta via the Malay States.

The object of the trip is to inspect the Malaria Control Measures which are being carried out in the plantations in India and the Malay States. While in the Malay States, Sir Ronald Ross will be the guest of Sir Malcolm Watson.—Reuter.

### NAVAL CHANGES.

NEW A.D.C. TO THE KING.

London, October 5.

It is announced that Admiral Sir Arthur Leveson has been appointed First Naval Aide-de-Camp to the King in succession to Admiral Sir M. E. Browning, who has retired.

Vice-Admirals Sir E. S. Alexander-Sinclair and Sir Lionel Halsey have been promoted Admirals and Rear-Admiral W. M. Ellerton Vice-Admiral.—Reuter.

### DIPLOMATIC CORPS.

ROUMANIAN MINISTER TO AMERICA.

Bucharest, October 5.

Mr. George Crezeanu has been appointed Roumanian Minister at Washington.—Reuter.

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### "SMOKE" PROFITS.

FORTUNE OF THE WILLS FAMILY.

LEFT TO COUNTESS KINNOULL.

London, October 6.

A sum of £1,965,000 has been left by Mrs. Hamilton Wills, of the tobaccoist Wills family, on which Estate Duty amounts to nearly £700,000.

Apart from a number of legacies and annuities the estate, estimated at £1,000,000, has been willed to her daughter, Enid, the 22-years-old wife of the Earl of Kinnoull.—Reuter.

### A KINGLY GIFT.

FOR CATHEDRAL IN NEW YORK.

TOKEN OF GOODWILL.

London, October 6.

His Majesty King George is presenting a silver altar silver to the newly erected Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York.

It is understood that the heads of a number of other States are making presentations as tokens of goodwill.—Reuter.

### LEGION OF HONOUR.

Paris, October 6.

Mohamed Nadir Khan, Afghanist Minister to France, has been made a Grand Officer of the Legion of Honour.—Havas.

### NOTICE.

HONG KONG REALTY & TRUST COMPANY, LIMITED.

(Incorporated under the Companies Ordinances of Hong Kong.)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRD ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders of HONG KONG REALTY & TRUST COMPANY, LIMITED will be held at the then Registered Office of the Company, Exchange Building, (2nd Floor), Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, the 6th day of November, 1926, at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors for the Year ended on the 30th June, 1926, confirming the appointment of Directors, and re-electing Directors and the Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from MONDAY, the 1st day of November, 1926, until SATURDAY, the 6th day of November, 1926, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board.  
C. F. V. RIBEIRO,  
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Hong Kong, 7th October, 1926.

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